

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: August 14, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT
DATED AUGUST 10 and 14, 1947



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Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports and attached exhibits should be placed in 67-2584.

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67-2584-481
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AUG 14 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
<i>[Signature]</i>

Pittsburgh
Communist Party of ~~Western Pennsylvania~~.
Executive Comm. Meeting.

[redacted] 8 10/47

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The Executive Committee of the Communist Party of the City of
pittsburgh held their regular meeting on Wed. Evening August 6th at
the Studio, 440 Wood St. with the following participating:

[redacted]

Roy Hudson,

[redacted] -- Sq. Hill

[redacted] Southside

[redacted] Northside

[redacted] East End

[redacted] Students

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A Negro Comrade from Crucible - name unknown

[redacted] Penn Twp.

[redacted] Hazelwood,

Jim Dolsen, Northside.

Matt Cvetic, Lawrenceville

[redacted] Lawrenceville.

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[redacted] gave a proposed agenda -- Coming Elections
ix an hour and a half and the Raffle and Picnic -- 20 minutes on which
comrade Matt would report.

[redacted] reported on the elections and gave a report on the progress
of the Pernell Campaign; he reported also on the attempt to get Dr.

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[redacted] a negro minister from Northside to run on the
Independent ticket in the General elections. He said that [redacted]

[redacted] of the Pernell committee was opposed to this. So far according

to [] no independent ~~candidate~~ candidates for city council has been ~~required~~ procured.

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He made the following proposals for the coming election all of which were adopted. These ~~proposals~~ proposals refer to activities of the Clubs in the coming election in behalf of [] and are as follows:

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1. Each club put one person in charge of campaign in their community or shop
2. Organize teams to go out canvassing for votes.
3. Draw up list of prospective voters and visit them
4. Select at least one issue, paramount in the coming election which can be used in the campaign in the community
5. Use the election to recruit new members into the party.

~~On the~~ With what discussion there was on the floor, this concluded the election part of the meeting.

On the raffle Matt made a report of some 3500 tickets distributed in the City and said only \$42.00 came in so far. He stressed the necessity of getting the money in and said the district has set a quota of \$2500.00 to be turned in by August 16th and asked the City to take a quota of \$1,000 to be raised in the raffle by that time. []

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[] polled the clubs and a combined total of \$850.00 was pledged by August 16th. This concluded the meeting.

Communist Party of Western Penna.
LABOR PRESS COMMITTEE

[REDACTED] 8/14/47

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An account has been opened at the Potter Title and Trust Company to handle the money raised in the raffle and picnic sponsored by the Labor Press Committee - a front organization for the Communist Party. The account was officially opened with a deposit on August 12th by Matthew Cvetic who signed as Secretary -- [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

So far a total of \$\$\$425.00 has been raised in the raffle. --
a total of ~~\$15x~~ 13,250 tickets have been distributed.

Best activity and results have come from the Steel Section.

Communist Party of Western Penna.

[redacted] 8/14/47

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East Pittsburgh Club.

A meeting of the East Pittsburgh Club met on Tuesday August 12th at the Croatian Hall in East Pittsburgh. This is the Progressive Croatian Hall which sets up on the hillside as you go into East Pittsburgh --

A report was made on the raffle and picnic, a discussion on the educational program and one other point.

[redacted] Nate Albert, Secretary
and others participating were [redacted] ----- (Negress) from UE. and some seven other members.

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Matt Cvetic was here from the district to give a report on the raffle

Southside Club --

Meets at the Studio on 440 Wood St. -- Met in regular meeting on Wednesday, August 6th with [redacted]

[redacted] -- others participating were [redacted]
two new negro comrades; [redacted] and two or three others.

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LABOR PRESS COMMITTEE

8-14-47

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August 13th., 1947

Dear member:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16TH is second checkup day. The ticket committee has set a goal of \$2500.00 to be reached by that date and we are addressing this letter to you to ask how much of this amount will your club, group or section raise. Ticket returns have been coming in so slowly it makes us want to ask some of our members: "What are you waiting for?"

Just think, if every member sold just one little ticket every day from now until Labor Day, it would insure the success of our picnic.

-- ONLY TWO WEEKS REMAIN --

And we would suggest an all out effort from now until Labor Day. Ask your fellow members to help with the checkup -- contact everyone who has received tickets and ask them to make returns for the tickets they have sold. Ask those who have sold a book or two to take additional tickets -- and efforts should still be made to get tickets to those members and friends who haven't received any tickets as yet.

So from now until 'Labor Day' to the people we meet and work with -- by telephone, personal contact, by letter -- lets talk picnic and lets sell tickets --

And lets make a turnin every two or three days.

Matt Cvetic, Secretary

8-14-47
Rec'd at P.M.L. P.
from J.M.
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The People's Political Committee of Pittsburgh

Office of

822 Aracheim Street

Pittsburgh, (19) Pa.

July 26, 1947

This letter was sent to the
American Slav Congress of W.Pa. [redacted] 8/10/47

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Dear Friend,

We would greatly appreciate the opportunity of having the advantage of your thoughts and views at a special meeting of the interested citizens at the Kay Boy's Club, corner of Wylie Avenue and Green Street, Tuesday evening, July 29th 1947, promptly at 8 P.M.

The purpose of this meeting is to map out the plans of procedure for the nomination of [redacted] our candidate for City Council. [redacted] the candidate who has been selected by the people, made a remarkable showing in 1945 and we believe that he has the best chance at the present time of winning the nomination in the coming Democratic primary.

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We need your support and influence in this initial planning meeting. Don't forget the date-Tuesday evening July 29th, 8 P.M.-Place: Kay Boy(s Club.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation in this civic matter, we are:

Respectfully yours,

[redacted signature box]

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8-14-47
Rec'd at Pgh. Pa.
for [redacted] JMA

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Expenses incurred in trip to Chicago for Board Meeting
of SANS -- Friday, Saturday and Sunday 7/18-19-20, 1947

[redacted] 7/23/47 ^{b6}
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Transportation to Chicago & return (inc. service chgs.) \$64.75

Meals for 2½ days -- \$ 7.50

Taxicab expenses incurred in Pgh & Chicago 5.50

***Entertainment expenses for food, drinks and other
miscellaneous expenses incurred in company of names
listed below -- a separate information report
submitted in Pittsburgh. 24.50

102.25

*checked
by [unclear]
7/23/47*

Less expenses paid by SANS Office

56.85	<u>56.85</u>
\$46.40	<u>46.40</u>
10.00	<u>10.00</u>
56.40	<u>55.40</u>

HOTEL ROOM 7-18, 19.

***Expenses incurred entertaining [redacted]

[redacted] Cvetic, [redacted] -- ~~SEEN~~

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*55.40
Pd check 969
7-25-47 J. J. [unclear]*

F. B. I.
AUG 20 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.

[Signature]

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PAYMENTS TO CI C-113

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EFFECTIVE 3-31-47

BUREAU AUTHORIZATION LETTER 3-31-47

SERVICES \$60 per wk. EXPENSES None

Period	Amount	Period	Amount	Check No.	PAID Check Dated	Agent
4/14 - 4/20	60-			873	4/21/47	Thompson
4/21 - 4/27	60			883	4-29-47	"
4/28 - 5/4	\$60			894	5-5-47	
5/5 - 5/11	\$60			896	5-12-47	"
5/12 - 5/18	60			902	5-20-47	"
5/19 - 5/25	60			909	5-26-47	"
5/26 - 6/1	60			918	6-2-47	"
6/2 - 6/8	\$60			929	6-11-47	
6/9 - 6/15	# 60			933	6-16-47	Mooney
6/16 - 6/22	\$60	6-20, 21-47	50.00	934	6-23-47	"
6/23 - 6/29	\$60			951	6-30-47	"

Teletype 6-18-47 with
 say \$50 for trip N.Y.
 attend Nat'l Comm. Meet.

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F. B. I.

AUG 20 1947

FILES RECORDED

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SAC, New York

August 20, 1947

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SAC, Pittsburgh

UNITED COMMITTEE OF SOUTH SLAVIC AMERICANS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

There is forwarded for your information a copy of a press release dated July 25, 1947, by [redacted] of the above captioned organization.

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Said press release was made available to this office by Confidential Informant [redacted]

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Enclosure
100-7295
cc: 67-2504 ✓

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FBI WASHINGTON DC

9-2-47

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SAC, PITTSBURGH

ROUTINE

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR YUGOSLAV RELIEF - IS - C. ON SEPTEMBER SEVEN NINETEEN FORTY FIVE, ASAC [] TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED BUREAU THAT MATTHEW CVETIC (CIC - ONE ONE THREE) HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO APPEAR AT THE RUSSIAN EMBASSY TO DISCUSS YUGOSLAV RELIEF MATTERS. ADVISED BY RETURN TELETYPE CAPTION AND DATE OF YOUR REPORT IN THIS MATTER.

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OK FBI PG BG

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TO BE CODED

Transmit the following Teletype message to: FBI WA 0711

FBI PITTSBURGH 9-3-47 12-25 PM EDST BKS

DIRECTOR URGENT

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR YUGOSLAV RELIEF, IS-C. REBUTEL SEPTEMBER TWO.
FILES PITTSBURGH OFFICE DO NOT REFLECT CVETIC VISITED RUSSIAN EMBASSY.
HE VISITED YUGOSLAV EMBASSY IN SEPTEMBER NINETEEN FORTYFIVE. BUREAU
NOT PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED REPORT OR LETTER ON THIS MATTER. COPY OF
INFORMANTS REPORT BEING SUBMITTED AMSD TODAY.

FLETCHER

END

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cc - 67-2514-

sent by BCR

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in ChargeSent 245 PM Per lck

Director, FBI

September 3, 1947

SAC, Pittsburgh

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

821 AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR YUGOSLAV RELIEF
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
(Bureau file 100-212166)

Rebutol 9-2-47 and Pittsburgh teletype to Bureau 9-3-47.

As indicated in Pittsburgh teletype, the files in the Pittsburgh Office do not reflect that MATTHEW CVETIC visited the Russian Embassy, Washington, D. C., during September 1945. The files do, however, reflect that CVETIC visited the Yugoslav Embassy, Washington, D. C., on September 10, 1945. It was also noted that a report or letter was not submitted to the Bureau regarding the visit of CVETIC to the Embassy.

Confidential Informant C-113 submitted to the Pittsburgh Office a full report on CVETIC's visit to the Yugoslav Embassy. A copy of a blind memorandum prepared on the information furnished by C-113 is being submitted to the Bureau as an enclosure with this letter.

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cc - 67-2514-

67-2584-487

August 25, 1947

MEMO, SAC

RE: [REDACTED]

SECURITY MATTER - C

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On August 11, 1947 Confidential Informant C-113 orally reported to the writer that [REDACTED] a known CP member, presently employed at the City Water Works, had furnished him with the following information:

[REDACTED] is active in Pittsburgh in the Progressive Citizens of America. Recently she was contacted by one [REDACTED] who is reportedly a member of the Program Committee of the PCA. [REDACTED] told Miss [REDACTED] that he had been a member of the CP in Wisconsin, but inasmuch as he was a school teacher, "things had become too hot," and he had been forced to leave. [REDACTED] also stated that his wife, name unknown, was still in Wisconsin where she was a secretary for the CP, possibly a CP branch.

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[REDACTED] asked [REDACTED] several leading and pertinent questions which aroused her suspicions concerning him. [REDACTED] advised informant that he desired such information as informant might be able to furnish concerning [REDACTED] past activities in the CP. Informant advised that [REDACTED] is aware of his, informant's, membership in the CP and that he believes that [REDACTED] and his sister suspected [REDACTED] of being a steel pigeon.

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The indices of this office are negative as to [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED]

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It is suggested that an inquiry be made of the Milwaukee Division concerning [REDACTED]

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JAMES T. MOONEY
SA

JTM:WD

cc: 100-0 67-2584

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
August 20, 1947

MEMO, SAC

RE: *C-113*

INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Under date of August 3, 1947, [redacted] reported that a Communist meeting had been held at 59½ Iron St., Johnstown, Pa., on August 2, 1947. Those present were:

MATT CVETIC [redacted]

Purpose of CVETIC coming to Johnstown was to discuss sale of automobile raffle tickets to the Communist Party picnic to be held at Linden Grove, Castle Shannon, Pa., on Labor Day, September 1, 1947. CVETIC stated that the Party had cleared approximately \$5,000 on the car raffled at last year's picnic and they wanted to do much better this year. Following the above meeting, informant sold 5 of the above tickets to [redacted] who is also known as [redacted] operates the Long Bar on Main St. in Johnstown and is a member of the CP.

Two books of the above tickets were left with ANNA SLABODZION at Conemaugh, Pa. [redacted] who is very active in IWO work, advised that she had attended a recent IWO convention in New York City and that she has recently recruited many IWO members, many of whom are Mexican children.

JAMES T. MOONEY
SA

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AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF WESTERN PENNA.

[redacted] 8/1/47

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The Executive Committee of the American Slav Congress held its regular meeting in Fort Pitt Hotel on Wednesday evening July 29th. 1947 in Parlor C at 8:30 P.M. with the following present:

Matt Cvetic, Chairman of the meeting

[redacted]

Arthur Bartl,

[redacted]

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[redacted]

The meeting discussed Plans for a monthly bulleting for the Western Penna. District and the Radio Program was is planned by the local Congress.

For the purpose of bringing out a monthly bulletin and to otherwise expand the work of the Congress it was proposed that a multigraph be purchased by the Amer. Slav Congress and the committee present voted the purchase of such a machine.

On the Radio Program a committee composed of [redacted]

[redacted]

Art Bartl and [redacted]

and also [redacted]

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[redacted] are to get together in the office of the Slav Congress on Saturday August 2nd. to work out plans on this.

On elections a committee of three was appointed by the meeting to participate on the "Parnell Committee" and to attend the meeting of said committee on Thursday evening July ~~30~~ 31st. at Kays Boy Club. --

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On this committee were selected [redacted] and one other member.

ACTIVITIES OF SLAV CONGRESS OF WESTERN PENNA.

This week the office of the Slav Congress has been busy getting out some 3000 postcards advertising the showing of the "Nuremberg Trials" and "The Turning Point" at the Art Cinema Theater. Arrangements for this were made by [redacted] of the Art Cinema with [redacted] of the Congress. In addition some 5000 ~~throwaway~~ throwaway cards were being distributed by the Congress on ~~these~~ these pictures.

[redacted] and her mother who lived in Chicago and is visiting here were in the office this week. [redacted] came in to discuss the routine work of the office preparatory to replacing [redacted] who is ~~leaving~~ taking a leave of absence for two months. [redacted] will go to Boston, Mass and then to the West Coast.

[redacted] also spent time with the Allegheny Valley Committee where the Slav Congress will support a [redacted] who is running for office.

On Friday August 1st. he had an appointment with the Editor of the Pittsburgh press at 3:30 P.M. and also with [redacted] at 4:30 P.M.

Communist Party of Western Penna.

[redacted] 8/1/47

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A class will be conducted at the Studio at 440 Wood St. starting Monday August 4th and continuing for three weeks -- There will be six sessions M -- they will be held on Monday and Friday of each week. The classes will be conducted by someone from the National Office. --- Classes start at 8:00 P.M.

This week the painters were busy painting the offices of the Party and things were pretty much disrupted.

[redacted] has returned from his vacation [redacted] finishes up this week -- she will stay at home a week then go to New York for a two or three week vacation.

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[redacted] is taking a week off also and will not come to work in the Party Office until August 10th.

[redacted] is getting married to [redacted] ----- they will honey-moon some in Canada and then go on to the West Coast -- from conversation presumably to the same locality where [redacted] are located. From the conversation I think they will make their home there, as she is discussing a transfer with the office.

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[redacted] have been coming into the office and Matt who has the picnic assignment comes in once in a while to do a little work on the picnic. Heard him say that he has distributed around 12,000 tickets so far.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 6, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT
DATED 8-21-47b6
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On 9-6-47, the above informant furnished the writer with the attached report and mimeographed copies (2) of attached exhibit. One copy of said exhibit has been placed in File 106-3463 (C.I. of USA, CIO) with appropriate memos for the files of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ostensible writers of the above exhibit.

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The attached report and exhibit should be placed in 67-2584.

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Communist Party of Pittsburgh

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Activities in Crucible Steel Local #1276

The attached letter (mimeographed) is to be distributed at the gates of Crucible Steel Company at 31st & Smallman Sts.

The letter was composed by [redacted]

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The stencil for the job was done at the office of the Slav Congress by [redacted]

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The job was done on the mimeograph at the office of the UE District 6, Wabash Bldg. by Matt Cvetic.

He ~~sample~~ stapled the job in the office of the Communist Party and delivered it to 31 Perry St.

I understand when he got there, no one was home so he left it together with some petitions to 'Philip Murray' with the people next door at 33 Perry St.

August 21, 1947

THIS IS OUR APPEAL

To All Members of Local 1276

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Dear Brothers:

We, [redacted] have both sent our appeals to the International Executive Board. We believe that it is important for the welfare of our Local that every member read this appeal and understand the real issues involved in our case.

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Our appeals to the International Board are very long documents. We are therefore, re-printing the last section of the appeal written by [redacted] which explains what we consider the real questions that our union has to face. The first part of the appeal explains that in the desperate effort to do a hatchet job on us and our Local, the [redacted] clique violated five provisions of our Union's Constitution and the union procedure on "Trial, Discipline and Expulsion of Members". The second part of the appeal answers the charges made, one by one. The last part, which we are re-printing in full, is as follows:

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Because this is such a serious matter, I would like to urge that the International Board give most serious consideration to the following questions:

1. Two days after our ouster and expulsion, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette had an editorial congratulating our local for ousting us as officers. (They didn't say anything about our expulsion. Evidently they were somewhat ashamed to write about something as raw as that.) They then proceeded to state that this action was proof that American workers were not falling for the idea that the Taft-Hartley Law was a slave labor law and that American labor should cooperate with this Law, not fight it. Only two days after and the friends of the Taft-Hartley Law were already using the decision against us to create confusion about the need of carrying through our union's fight to repeal the Taft-Hartley Law.

A whole series of provisions in the Taft-Hartley Law were designed to create antagonism within our ranks. As I understand it, that is one of the reasons why our union decided to by-pass the NLRB. That is also why the CIO has consistently condemned the witch-hunting methods of the House Committee on un-American Activities. It would be most ironical and tragic if, after all this, we ourselves should provide the enemies of labor with the very weapon they have been trying to use against us - so far unsuccessfully. From the vast publicity given to this case in the newspapers, I believe that Taft and Hartley, and all their friends, will watch the outcome of our case with the greatest concern. These gentlemen are very practical people. If the decision against us is upheld, they will draw certain conclusions. The most important one will be that they do not have to fear the strength of our union in the 1948 elections and the fight against the Taft-Hartley Law as much as they have until now.

2. There is an organized clique in Local 1276, working with outside sources, whose aim is to make it impossible to carry out the policy of the CIO and of our Union. If nothing else, the fact that this clique tried to prevent President Philip Murray's statements on the Taft-Hartley Act from reaching the membership and took no part whatsoever in any of the actions taken by our Local to defeat the Taft-Hartley Act is more than adequate proof of my statement.

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Rec'd as per
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I believe the International Board owes it, as a duty to our Union, to look into the activities of this clique during the month of June and especially between June 18th, when the charges were filed against me, and June 30th, when Congress voted the Taft-Hartley Act into law over President Truman's veto. During this period, I found, to my amazement, that the Pittsburgh Press, which has consistently attacked our union and its leadership for our opposition to the Taft-Hartley law, was receiving and printing regular stories of every detail concerning the efforts being made to oust [redacted] and myself. Every story in the Press was used to create greater and greater confusion at the very moment when the full energy of our local was needed in the fight against the Taft-Hartley Act. It was during this period that it dawned on me that our local had an organized clique within it who were working with the Pittsburgh Press and perhaps other enemies of our union against its best interests. Every effort made to determine who was feeding the Pittsburgh Press with these harmful stories was unsuccessful. If this clique succeeds in taking control of Local 1276, I have no hesitation in predicting that the International Union will not be able to count on Local 1276 to fulfill its responsibility either to the International Board or to the membership of our local.

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3. Since the decision to oust us as officers and expel us from the union was made, it has had harmful effects among the members of Local 1276. Members of our local have expressed themselves as being bitter, resentful and shocked that such grave injustice would be done in a union like ours. [redacted] one of the oldest members of our local, and a member of its Executive Board for many, many years, resigned from the Board in disgust because of the activities of this clique. If an old, staunch union man like [redacted] reacts in this way, it is very difficult to see how the membership of our local will become enthusiastic about throwing everything into the PAC campaign, the campaign against the Taft-Hartley law, the 1948 election campaign and other activities being planned by our International Union.

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I consider as a most significant fact the following statement printed by the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists in the August 9th issue of the Pittsburgh Catholic:

"Isn't it a sin against justice to expel a Communist from a Union when this would deprive him of the means of making a living?"

I'm not quoting this statement because I agree fully with all the ideas it projects, nor because I come within the category of the people (Communists) they are talking about. I mention it because I believe that it reflects very grave doubts and dissatisfaction among large numbers of people, both within and outside of our Union, concerning the outrageous efforts being made to expel us from the union.

I would never have dreamt of sending such a lengthy document to the International Board were it not that this case is such a serious one, both for the International Union as well as myself. I not only am faced with expulsion from the union I have been devoted to for over five years, but I will also be faced with the loss of my job. I have a large family to support and this would work severe hardship on all of us. But, there are times when a man, who is

truly an American, has to accept such risks because the issues involved are more important than the personal sacrifices he may have to undergo. In my own humble way, I am prepared to face such risks because I believe so firmly in the principles of our International Union and its President, Philip Murray.

My record as a good union man is there for all to see. It will always be a source of pride to me that this clique in Local 1276 were not able to cite a single instance in which I did anything that actually brought harm to our union. The only charges they could prefer were those that could be used to smear me as a "Communist" in the same manner as is done by the House Committee on un-American Activities. I have no other desire than to work for the best interest of our great union. I fervently hope the International Executive Board will reverse the decision of the special union meeting of Local 1276 to oust me from office and expel me from the union.

Sincerely yours,



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P. S. - Since this appeal was written, Philip Murray, President of our International Union, had an interview with the Pittsburgh Courier. In this interview, he stated the following:

"I don't think the Communists constitute a threat to the trade union movement.....We discourage Communism and that is to be expected.

"In neither the United Auto Workers nor the United Steelworkers does it constitute a threat to the trade union movement. We've also got to be aware of the fact that the enemies of the labor movement are using that as a weapon.

"That ain't to say that our organization isn't against Communism but we musn't engage in wild witch hunting."

These words of Philip Murray, especially the underlined sections, brand the  clique as being guilty of engaging in wild witch hunting. Such witch hunting can only bring great harm to our union and that is why it has been condemned by Philip Murray. Instead of playing into the hands of Labor's enemies by such witch hunts, let's have our union membership unite its ranks to carry through our union's policies to repeal the Taft-Hartley Law and defeat all Congressmen who voted for its passage.

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TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 6, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MCONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT
DATED AUGUST 15 and 16, 1947



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AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF W.PA.

8/15/47

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The Executive Committee and Active Members of the American
Fort Pitt Hotel
Slav Congress of W.Pa. met in Parlor "B"/(Not "C" as listed in the
meeting notice) on Friday evening, August 15th., 1947 with the following
participating:

Matt Cvetic, Vice Pres and Chairman of the meeting.

Croatian Fraternal Union

Croatian Fraternal Union

Narodni Glasnik

Narodni Glasnik and Croatian Benef. Un. (IWO)

Croatian Ladies Social Club

Ludovy Dennik

Ludovy Dennik

----- (Candidate for Alderman, S.S.Pgh -- spelling
probably not correct)

Iron City Progressive Club

Southside

----- Male - Croatian from Detroit, Mich. - came
to meeting with ----- - blonde - wears
horn-rimmed glasses - tall -- name ?????

Southside

- Southside

, Slovenian

Slovenian, Westmoreland Co

, Croatian

National Croatian Council.

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The agenda as listed in enclosed notice of meeting was followed to the letter.

On the Radio Program it was voted that the program should be arranged for starting two weeks before the Elections this year and continuing for a two year period -- it was further agreed that funds for this program would be raised by Radio Club subscriptions of \$1.00.

On the Slavic American Magazine several copies of the magazine were distributed (Copies available if necessary) a drive to get subscriptions is under way. It was announced that the National Council has voted \$100.00 for subscriptions which were sent out by the local office to prominent citizens.

On local political action it was voted that the Executive Board composed of [] Cvetic and [] be given to right to publicize ~~and~~ endorsement of candidates as they measure up to issues --
[] mention an independent slate composed of []
[] candidates of [] candi-
dates for City offices which is contemplated.

[] proposed the endorsement of [] candidate for Alderman in Southside -- this was approved.

Balance of Political program listed on attached agenda.

On the multigraph -- the Croatian agreed to try to raise some money for this at their August 24th conference.

[] reported on his efforts in organizing Committees in Covardale, Pa. and Southside.

Matt Cvetic gave a report on the proposed Cultural program which is tentatively set for December (14th or 7th). He announced that [] Adamic, the Duquesne Tamburitza Orch. Jose hine Klun and the Radiseve

Dance Group from Cleveland have been secured for the program. He also announced that efforts are being made to get the Syrian Mosque for ~~xxxxxx~~ the program. Committee Approved

Finally announced that the ~~committee~~ Slav Congress has a part in the Ally. Co. Fair -- the Radiseve Dance Group from Cleveland will dance ~~xxxxxx~~ at the fair, sponsored by the Amer.Slav Congress of W.Pa.

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This concluded the meeting

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

1005 BERGER BLDG. — PITTSBURGH 19, PA.

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MATTHEW CVETIC, Vice President

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8/15/47

August 11, 1947

Dear Brother or Sister:

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held this Friday, 8 p. m., August 15, at Parlor "C" in the Fort Pitt Hotel.

We Shall Discuss:

1. Conference on August 24, called by the National Council of Americans of Croatian Descent, having one of its main purposes the building of the American Slav Congress.
2. The Radio Committee's report to complete action on a two year weekly program to begin two weeks before the November elections.
3. SLAVIC AMERICAN - the New National Quarterly, to be launched at a press conference on August 12, at New York.
4. Local Political Activity - results from questionnaires mailed to candidates.

a. City-Councilmanic Candidate [redacted]
Ticket, New Kensington, Pa.
c. Councilmanic candidates, Duquesne, Pa.

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5. Multigraph - delivery and financil status.
6. Field organizing - two new localities added:

a. Report by [redacted] on:

1. Coverdale, Pa.
2. South Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.

You have received a special letter on the \$15.00 to be raised by each Committee member on the multigraph. [redacted] raised their quota by giving for the machine instead of buying flowers in memory of our dead Brother Frank Oblak. [redacted] who pledged \$15.00 was able to increase it to \$50.00 which we received today. [redacted] raised his \$15.00 in the best way by securing 13 contributors. These are a few of the instances - in addition, the following have already given:

Arthur Bartl

\$15.00
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Matthew Cvetic

\$10.00
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There are still many unfilled pledges. We ask you to have yours ready by the meeting at the latest. The machine will be here and we have much use for it. Please see a few of your friends and explain our need. We don't want or expect each member to give the sum out of his purse, it is far better to have other join you in this worthwhile purpose.

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Your Quota of \$15.00.

Fraternaly yours,
AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS

Matthew Cvetic, Vice Pres.

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MATTHEW CVETIC, Vice President
[REDACTED]

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July 21, 1947

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The National Croatian Council is calling upon you to support and send delegates to the Conference of Croatian Americans to be held on:

Sunday, 24 August 1947
Javor Hall,
822 North Canal Street,
North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.

This is a most important meeting for the strengthening of the Council and the American Slav Congress, and out of it will come plans and action to protect the best interests of the American people.

We join the Council in its work and ask for the widest participation by all Americans of Croatian descent.

Fraternally yours,

[REDACTED]
Matt Cvetic, Vice-President,
[REDACTED]

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P.S. Attached is a subscription blank to the SLAVIC AMERICAN, 96-page quarterly magazine that is now coming off the press. It is the only magazine in America that is your voice, the voice of 15,000,000 Americans.

Subscribe to it - it needs you and you need it.

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Poziv na Konferenciju

Amerikanaca Hrvatskog Porijekla u Zapadnoj Pennsylvaniji!

KOJA ĆE SE ODRŽATI U NEDJELJU 24. AUGUSTA U 10 SATI PRIJE PODNE U JAVOR DVORANI,
822 N. Canal Street, N. S. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

BRAĆO I SESTRE:

Vi koji radite u rudnicima, tvornicama i drugim preduzećima najbolji ste svjedoci velikog nezadovoljstva naroda, naročito radništva protiv nedavno usvojenog Taft-Hartley zakona. Vrhunac nezadovoljstva narod je izrazio i izražava u velikim štrajkovima i drugim masovnim akcijama, u kojima su učestvovali i učestvuju najširi slojevi naroda.

Još prije usvajanja tog zakona vodila se borba protiv njega. Sada nakon što je usvojen među narodom je stvoreno još veće nezadovoljstvo i masovno borbe zahvatile su još većeg i oštrijeg maha. Narod traži da se taj ropski zakon opozove. U tom pravcu planiraju svoj rad vodstva najvećih radničkih unija C.I.O. i Američke Federacije Rada i sviju drugih grupa, organizacija i ustanova.

Američki Hrvati nisu stajali niti su mogli stajati po strani nijedne borbe koja se vodila za očuvanje slobode i narodnih prava američkog naroda, čiji su oni sastavni dio. Oni neće moći ostati po strani ni ove borbe. A da bi bili čim složniji i jači protiv navale reakcije i izvojštiti prava koja im pripadaju, potrebno je da se još čvršće povežemo, da naše redove ujedinimo i konsolidiramo.

Zato i u druge svrhe, saziva se konferencija Amerikanaca i Amerikanki hrvatskog porijekla u Zapadnoj Pennsylvaniji. Od goruće je potrebe, da sve hrvatske organizacije, sva društva, svi klubovi i razne druge hrvatske ustanove u Zapadnoj Pennsylvaniji, izaberu svoje delegate na konferenciju. Čim ih više izaberete, tim će konferencija biti masovnija i uspješnija. Neophodno je potrebno, da konferenciji prisustvuje i čim veći broj pojedinaca.

Glavna pitanja o kojima će se na konferenciji raspravljati, jesu:

1. — Jačanje Narodnog Vijeća Američkih Hrvata i Hrvatica, što uži i povezaniji rad svih Slavena Zapadne Pennsylvanije kroz Američko-slavenski kongress.

2. — Taft-Hartley zakon.

3. — Gradski, državni i predsjednički izbori 1948. godine.

4. — Biranje Odbora Narodnog Vijeća Američkih Hrvata i Hrvatica za Zapadnu Pennsylvaniju.

To su sada goruća pitanja o kojima moramo raspravljati i donijeti odluke za naš budući rad.

Uvjereni da neće ostati nijedna hrvatska organizacija niti društvo a da neće izabrati svoje predstavnike na konferenciju, šaljemo vam naše bratske pozdrave.

Filip Vukelić, urednik Zajedničara i tajnik Narodnog Vijeća Američkih Hrvata.

Kosto Unković, Javni Bilježnik i počasni konzul FNR Jugoslavije.

Z. Kostelsky, istaknuti industrijalac i javni radnik na književnom polju.

Mato Vrkljan, predsjednik odsjeka broj 1 HBZ.

Franjo Kamalić, predsjednik Mjesnog Vijeća Američkih Hrvata za Pittsburgh.

Jerry Horak, istaknuti rodoljub i restaurater u Pittsburghu.

Franjo Tadej, predsjednik H.A.P. Kluba "Tito".

Števe Miroković, okružni tajnik HPB-IWO za Zapadnu Pennsylvaniju.

Leo Fisher, odgovorni urednik Narodnog Glasnika.

Ivan D. Bronić, član izvršnog odbora Narodnog Vijeća Američkih Hrvata.

Louis Filetić, poznati rodoljub iz Pittsburgha, predsjednik mjesnog odbora Narodnog Glasnika.

Josip Migalić, predsjednik ogranka Američke Udruge za Rekonstrukciju Jugoslavije u Pittsburghu.

Angelina Uvodić, istaknuta rodoljubkinja iz Oakmont, Pa.

Anna Devunić, izvršna tajnica Vijeća Američkih Hrvatica.

Mary Sumrak, podpredsjednica Vijeća Američkih Hrvatica.

Helen Migalić, tajnica lokalnog Vijeća Američkih Hrvatica, Lawrenceville, Pa.

Milka Robash, tajnica odsjeka broj 4258 HPB-IWO.

Communist Party of Pittsburgh
Meeting of Executive Board Members and
Others.

[redacted] 8/16/47

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The members of the Executive Board met on Saturday afternoon with [redacted] and Matt Cvetic to discuss matters regards to the "Parnell" Campaign and also to discuss the raffle tickets.

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[redacted] participated for the Executive.

A through discussion was had on the [redacted] campaign and assignments were given to [redacted] and Matt which were for the purpose of activating the various City Clubs in the [redacted] Campaign". No real concrete plans were actually worked out but [redacted] who are on this committee will ~~xxx~~ meet regularly to discuss strategy. --

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Next the raffle tickets were discussed and Matt who is in charge of this reported a total of \$304.00 raised so far in the City he - reported as follows:

Squirrel Hill	\$97.00	Prof.	\$20.00
S.S.	\$32.00	Food	\$60.00
N.S.	\$15.00	Hill	None
E.E.	None	Students	None
Lawrenceville	\$30.00	Penn Twp.	None
J & L	\$50.00	Davcible	None
Hazelwood	None		

Asignments for checkup were given as follows: Matt to checkup up on Sq. Hill, S.S., Lawrenceville and Hazelwood. Dave to checkup on [redacted] (together with Matt) [redacted] to checkup on

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E.E. Students Benn Twp. and Crucible. to check up on Northside, Food and Hill. b6
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This concluded the part regards ~~there~~ the raffle. Next point to discuss on the agenda was other business -- the raffle ticket committee will checkup on Monday again -- Matt reported a total of \$866.00 in so far.

Roy Hudson went home early -- he got the cramps.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 6, 1947

FROM : Sa J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ~~REDACTED~~
DATED AUGUST 19 and 20, 1947

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Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the individual files of persons mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports may be filed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

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Communist Party of Western Penna.
Labor Press Committee

[redacted] 8/19/47

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The Staff of the Communist Party of Western Penna. held a meeting this morning, August 19th at 10:30 A.M. in the office of Roy Hudson to discuss the Automobile Raffle and the Labor Day Picnic.

The following participated:

Roy Hudson, [redacted]

Matt Cvetic, [redacted]

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Matt Cvetic who is in charge of the Raffle and Picnic for the district reported a total of over \$1400.00 received on the raffle to date - (~~XXXX~~) Of this amount approximately \$325.00 was raised in the City section; \$35.00 in the Dangaue Groups; \$117.00 from Farrell, Pa. \$150.00 from East Pittsburgh; ~~\$2~~ \$328.00 from Steel; \$120.00 from Allegheny Valley; \$58.00 from Johnstown and \$173.00 from Washington Co. Even tho' this was ~~XXXX~~ \$1100.00 short of the objective everyone seemed to be satisfied with the results and the only criticism ~~xxx~~ raised was that the City Organization hasn't done their part. [redacted] reported that efforts are being made to stimulate the City activities in the raffle and that checkups are being made in every club and that [redacted]

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[redacted] Matt and himself are responsible for the checkup.

It was decided to have checkup again on Saturday morning and also to place an Ad in the Sunday Worker (August 24th) publicizing the picnic.

Matt met with [redacted] later and returned the \$200 ~~xxx~~ in cash to the Communist Party - the money ~~xxxxxx~~ loaned to the Labor Press Comm. by the Party. The auto for the raffle is being secured from [redacted]

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[redacted] This concluded the meeting of the morning. On the checkbook of the CP the \$200 is recorded as \$50 loans (4) to Labor Press Committee.

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THE CANDIDATE OF THE PEOPLE
VOTE FOR

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CHARLES P. 8/19/47
PERNELL

Democratic Candidate For
CITY COUNCIL



No. 1 ON BALLOT



YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT EARNESTLY SOLICITED

Primaries: Tuesday, September 9, 1947

BUSINESSMAN — CIVIC LEADER — CHURCHMAN



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I am a registered Democrat. I pledge to vote for
the No. 1 man on the No. 1 line, Charles P. Pernell
for City Council.

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Name 8/19/47

Address

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DECLARATION OF INTENTIONS

1. To sponsor an extensive housing and slum clearance program—the lack of which is the major cause of anti-social attitudes, disease and high mortality among people who are forced to live therein.
2. To seek means of providing adequate recreational facilities, better police protection and extension of traffic control lights to the "forgotten areas" of the city and to cooperate with all agencies that seek to curtail influences which contribute to juvenile delinquency.
3. To inaugurate a system for equal and fair distribution of appropriations for street improvements so that every district in the city will enjoy its pro-rata share of the taxpayers' money.
4. To promote an educational program through civic organizations designed to stress community responsibility in a year round "Clean-up" and "Fix-up" Campaign.
5. To sponsor a movement for revising the tax system to lighten the burden of the small home owner and the small business man.
6. To cooperate with organizations that seek full rights and benefits for veterans as to housing and job opportunities.
7. To seek means of repealing the Taft-Hartley Law.
8. To further the efforts of progressive movements that seek full democratic rights for all American citizens through state and national legislation; for enacting a City Rent Control Law; for establishing a City FEPC; for the protection of civil liberties; for the elimination of the poll tax and for the enactment of a Federal Anti-Lynch Law.

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Communist Party of Pittsburgh

[redacted] 8/19/47

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Lawrenceville Club

The Lawrenceville Club of the Communist Party met on Tuesday evening, August 19th, 1947 at 4745 Butler St. with the following attending:

Matt Cvetic, Chairman,

[redacted]

[redacted]

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The agenda:

A report on the raffle and picnic by Matt Cvetic

A report on the [redacted] Campaign, Cvetic

A report on the special Labor Day Edition of the Daily Work
by [redacted]

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Enclosed are cards on the [redacted] Campaign which Matt Cvetic brought with him. He said he stopped at [redacted] and picked them up from [redacted]

Food Club;

The Food Club meets at the office of the Greek IWO located at #529 - Fifth Avenue -- [redacted] a meeting there which was held on Tuesday Evening August 19th., 1947. Five other comrades attended and a fellow from the district office, Mike or Matt by name came to the meeting to give a report on the Picnic and Raffle.

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TO THE PITTSBURGH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND ALL PITTSBURGH CLUBS.

Dear Comrades:

Today the Committee supervising the preparations for the Picnic met. As a consequence of that meeting, I have been instructed to bring to the Comrades in Pittsburgh the following facts and suggestions.

As you know, we planned that by this week end, we would have our first major checkup. On a District-wide basis, we aimed at \$2500, which is one-third of the total we hope to raise. The following is the score for the clubs in the City:

Squirrel Hill.....	\$97
Professional.....	20
South Side.....	47
Food.....	60
North Side.....	40
Hill.....	50
East End.....	10
Lawrenceville.....	30
J & L.....	68
Students.....	0
Penn Township.....	0
Crucible.....	0
Hazelwood.....	0

TOTAL..... \$422

Roughly, this means that Pittsburgh is short approximately \$600 of the quota it was aiming at.

The check-up showed that only one other Section in addition to Pittsburgh fell seriously short of its quota; that was Washington County. All of the other Sections and clubs are doing as good if not better than last year.

If Pittsburgh continues at the same rate as it has to date, it would turn in \$1200 instead of \$2800 which was accomplished last year.

These are the facts. If they are not changed, then Pittsburgh, the largest organization in our District, is faced with the prospect of endangering the whole project, for even if all the other Sections fulfill their quotas, it cannot be a success if Pittsburgh lags behind. Pittsburgh has always guaranteed the success of whatever project was necessary on a District-wide scale.

I am sure that once you comrades know the facts, you will take the necessary steps to guarantee that Pittsburgh fulfills its quota. I am sure that you will agree with me that there is no or organizational reasons why Pittsburgh is unable to produce as good or better results than was accomplished last year. The only thing that is required is that we give the thing the attention it deserves and right now, it deserves everything we have.

In view of the seriousness of the situation, we would like to ask that this letter be the first point on the agenda of every club that meets during the week. If your Club is not meeting, then we suggest a Emergency Meeting of the Executive. If the Club handles the problem as a Number One question, I am sure you comrades will be able to work out those steps necessary to assure the results required.

The next goal we must set ourselves is that two-thirds of the total quota must be in not later than NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT.

Comradely,

Roy Hudson

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Rec'd at Tab. P.
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Communist Party of Western Penna.

[redacted] 8/20/47 b6 b7C

8/20/47

Today/Elizabeth Gurley Flynn was in the office and met with Roy Hudson. She went out to lunch with Roy Hudson and [redacted]

[redacted] Meetings for Elizabeth have been arranged throughout W.Pa.

[redacted] who has been here conducting a class will finish up this week and will leave Pittsburgh on Monday 8/25/47.

Roy Hudson, [redacted] met this afternoon 8/20/47 to discuss some party matters. b6 b7C

[redacted] WANTED TO KNOW FROM MATT SVETICK IF HE EVER HEARD OF A PERSON BY THE NAME OF [redacted] * MATT SAID HE HADN'T.

[redacted] was in the office today -- Jim Dolsen as usual was distributing the worker.

\$69 came in today from Penn Twp on the Raffle and \$50 additional from the Hill Club. Heard Matt tell Dave over the phone that he picked up \$10 in the Lawrenceville Club and \$20 at the Food Branch last night.

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The article in the Pittsburgh Press/about the "Atom Bomb" spies caused a little flurry in the Party Circles.

The Professional Club Executive Comm is meeting at [redacted]

[redacted] tonight. I understand this is the b6 b7C
home of [redacted]

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August 20th., 1947

Dear member:

The final meeting to complete arrangements for our
Labor Day Picnic will be held at 440 Wood St. on Monday evening
August 25th at 8:00 P.M.

Returns for tickets can be made at this meeting.

Fraternally yours,

Matt Cvetic, Secretary.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 9-6-47

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113

On 9-6-47, the above informant furnished the writer with the August, 1947 issue of "POLITICAL AFFAIRS." Said magazine is being placed in the Office Communist library and record of same is made here in order to afford Informant credit for having provided same.

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JTM:

67-2584-493

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 8, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT:

SECURITY MATTER - C

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On 9-6-47, Confidential Informant C-113 furnished the writer with the attached letter written by ROY HUDSON, District CP Chairman concerning the 80th Birthday Celebration of the above subject.

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cc: 67-2584

JTM:

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F. B. I.
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<i>[Signature]</i>

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 8, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On 9-6-47, Confidential Informant C-113 furnished the writer with the attached mimeographed "Progress Report" of the above organizations which sets for ASC Plans for the coming months.

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F. B. I.
PITTSBURGH, PA.
<i>[Signature]</i>

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 8, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ~~XXXX~~
DATED AUGUST 21 and 22, 1947

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Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Same should be filed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

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Communist Party of Pittsburgh
Professional Club.

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The Executive Committee of the Professional Club of the Communist Party of Pittsburgh met on Wednesday evening August 20th., 1947 at the home of [redacted] located on the [redacted]

[redacted] lives at this address with his [redacted]

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Those participating in the meeting:

[redacted] (a newcomer to the area)

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Matt Svetick,

From the meeting I also learned that the following are members of this club:

[redacted] new member who lives in [redacted] I believe -- her last name may be [redacted] or something like that - According to [redacted] she will distribute circulars in S.S.

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I also ~~was~~ learned that [redacted] live at this address -- probably [redacted]

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Communist Party of Pittsburgh

Southside Club

[redacted] 8/21/47

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The Communist Club of Southside met at 440 Wood St. tonight August 21st., 1947 at 8:30 P.M. with the following present:

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[redacted] had her young daughter with her

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[redacted] and one other person.

Matt Cyetick

On the agenda were the Raffle, the new monthly publication of the ~~library~~ club, [redacted] Campaign and [redacted] proposed that [redacted] who is running for Alderman in Southside be discussed.

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Matt came to our meeting to raise hell about the poor raffle results

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SPECIAL REPORT

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[redacted] 8/22/47.

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On Friday evening 8/22/47 I was up and around and about and ran into this fellow [redacted] and Matt Svetick who works for Labor Press Committee (Communist Front Organization). They walked down 5th Avenue and stopped at the B-G on the corner of Penn Avenue and 5th Avenue and had a cup of coffee -- I sat next to them and heard the following conversation. [redacted] IS THE FELLOW WORKING AT SLOBODNA REC * IS HERE FROM CANADA)

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[redacted] was telling Matt that he was with [redacted] and that [redacted] thought they were being followed by some agent so they separated and each went their own way.

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[redacted] and Mat discussed some Slovene problems [redacted] ~~asked~~ asked Matt what he thought about [redacted] Matt told him that as far as [redacted] was concerned he didn't know too much about him and suggested to [redacted] that it is best that he doesn't say too much in front of [redacted] Matt said he may be alright, but then sometimes I wonder. [redacted] asked Matt whether we assigned [redacted] to get into the OSS or was he put there by the FBI. Matt told him that as far as he knew "we didn't put him in and reiterated the used of caution to [redacted] in talking to him.

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[redacted] said that in Canada "we were able to get 40 of our members into the [redacted] force during the war and one of our older members was decorated by [redacted] for the good work he had done.

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[] also said he served in the Spanish War and learned much of his intelligence work there.

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He also said that [] received a letter from his daughter in ~~Ygm~~ Yugoslavia [] and she is working there for ????????? ---

~~My opinion~~

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[] as well as [] may be working as agents for the Yugoslav Government.

As far as [] is concerned from his conversation and the business he is usually interested in/I feel quite sure. And then he is always very suspicious.

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[] is a nickname translated it means []

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[redacted] 8/22/47

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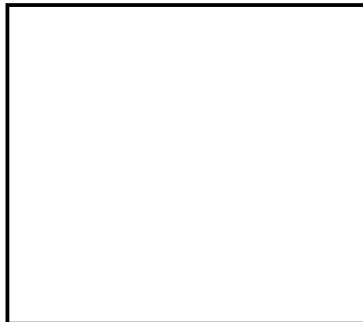
Members of the Staff of Slobodna Rec will meet with Steve Nelson on Sunday August 24th., 1947 to discuss:

1. Serbian Congress
2. Serbian National Federation Convention
3. Finances.

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According to [redacted] they are in a state of financial emergency at present.

The staff at present is made up of the following:



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and one or two others.

According to [redacted] they are also responsible for the Printing company downstairs (American Slav Printing Assn.) and this printing company is also in tough financial circumstances.

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Narodni Glasnik

8/22/47

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The staff of this newspaper at present is composed of the following:

[Redacted]

Art Bartl,

[Redacted]

(a new fellow from Canada)

Steve Loyer,

[Redacted]

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Ludovy Dennik

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This newspaper is running into difficulty over finances. At present they are in debt approximately \$3500.00 and will meet with Steve Nelson over the weekend to discuss this. (from my observations I would say that this is principally due to [redacted] mismanagement and it is possible hemay be on the way out as manager)

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The staff of [redacted] is composed of the following:



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[redacted] (now on vacation)

----- (a single girl -- who rooms somewhere for \$8.00)

Narodni Glasnik Readers

8/22/47

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This is a Communist front organization. They held a meeting at Javor Hall on Friday evening ^{Aug.} ~~July~~ 22nd., 1947 with the following present:

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[redacted]

Art Bartl

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and two or three others.

They discussed question of raising money to build a new Croatian Home in Northside; discussed the Croatian Conference which is scheduled for Sunday ^{Aug.} ~~July~~ 24th. Discussed the picnic and raffle of the Labor Press Committee and several other things. According to Art Bartl All of the above are members of the Communist Party except [redacted]

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Communist Party of Western Penna.

Pittsburgh (miscellaneous)

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Additional members of the Southside Club of the Communist Party:

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(listed on a previous report as [redacted] or some such name)

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[redacted] arrived in town today 8/22/47 -- he has lost some weight -- still wears glasses -- has a pretty good sunburned -- heard him say his usual/scheduled ^{weekly} when he isn't otherwise on the road is 3 days in N.Y. ; 2 days in Washington D. C. and 2 days at his home City, Baltimore, Md.

[redacted] is visiting at home -- he is now teaching at a university in Florida (probably University of Miami) -- he said a Dean of one of the departments in ~~xxxxxxx~~ the university where he is teaching is a sympathizer -- this dean is [redacted] name unknown.

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Roy Hudson wired Steve Nelson at Gary, Indiana today 8/22/47 -- asking him to call Atlantic 0931 the phone number of the CP in Pgh.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 8, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ~~XXXX~~
DATED AUGUST 23, 26, 29, 31, 1947



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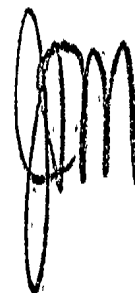
Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Same should be filed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

67-2584-497

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Dear Comrade:

The District Educational Department has organized Leadership Training Seminars in each section for all members of Club Executive Committees. This seminar will deal in a fundamental Marxist-Leninist manner with the role and function of the Party Club. This seminar can be of great value in strengthening our Club work if all executive committee members will respond and participate in it.

THE SEMINAR CONSISTS OF FOUR CLASSES WHICH WILL BE HELD FOUR CONSECUTIVE THURSDAYS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 5TH 8:00 p.m., at 440 WOOD STREET. [redacted] will be the instructor.

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The Four Sessions will deal with the following: (The first session and reading material for it are outlined in full).

SESSION I - THE ROLE OF A PARTY CLUB

1. What is meant by the statement, "The Party is the vanguard of the workingclass?"
2. How Can a Party Club Fulfill its Role of Vanguard?
3. Why is the Club the basic unit of the Party?
4. What is the relationship of the Club to the Party organization as a whole?

READING MATERIAL - Necessary Reading:

Stalin: Foundations of Leninism-Chapter 8
Constitution of the CPUSA

Supplementary Reading:

Lenin: What is to be Done, PP:26-30
Kalinin: On the Mastery of Marxism-
Leninist theory--July Political Affairs
Weiss: Struggle on the Ideological Front--
September Political Affairs

SESSION II - Concentration and the Building of the Party

SESSION III - How a Club Executive Committee Should Function

SESSION IV - How a Club Meeting Should be Organized and Club Activity Planned

We strongly urge you to make every effort to attend this important seminar.

Comradely,

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Communist Party of Western Penna.

[redacted] 8/29/47

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Future Plans:

A nationality recruiting drive is in the making for the months of September and October. ~~Steven~~ STEVE NELSON will be in the District from September 10th to September 15th to help in the drive. A six point program has been set up as follows:

1. Establish Contact Lists
2. Make Visits and organize parties for possible recruits
3. Get Subs. for Worker
4. Arrange meetings
5. Distribute x selected pieces of literature
6. Recruit.

A seminar of four classes is planned for the month of september at 440 Wood St. The dates:

September 12th, 14th, 18th and 21st.

1. Elections
2. Trade Unions
3. Negro Questions
4. Functioning of Party

I believe this seminar will be for new members and rank and filers.

Two celebrations are in the making. The 100th Anniversary Celebration and also a banquet honoring [redacted] in October. (The 100th Ann. is scheduled for sometime in September.

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Communist Party of Western Penna.
LANGUAGE COMMISSION

[redacted] 8/23/47

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A meeting of the Language Commission was held in the first floor office of Narodni Glasnik on Saturday afternoon August 23rd., 1947. The meeting got under way at approximately 1:40 with the following participating:

Roy Hudson District Chairman

[redacted] Steel Sec. Org.

[redacted], Narodni Glasnik

Art Bartl, Narodni Glasnik

[redacted] Nar. Glas.

[redacted], Ludovy Den.

[redacted] Ludovy Den.

Matt Cvetic, Slovenian Leader

[redacted] Sl. Rec.

[redacted] of the meeting and Roy Hudson gave the

main report: The agenda;

1. Labor Day Picnic
2. Roy Hudson's report on Party Bldg.

On the Labor Day Picnic all the comrades gave a report of the activities on tickets in their respective groups.

On the Party Bldg. report Hudson dealt with the present day political situation and dealt with the Taft Hartley Law. He called attention to an article by [redacted] in the August issue of the

"American" where he according to Hudson refers to the Slavs as slaves. b6
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He proposed that on this we organize a national campaign against

[redacted] -- call on Congressman to oust him. Hudson also dealt with the

elections and dealt at length with the American Slav Congress, and the role of the Slavs in the struggle. The second point of his report dealt with party building and around this point most of the discussion took place. Hudson reported the following members in the Communist Party in Western Penna. in ~~the xxxxxx the xxxxxx the xxxxxx~~ the respective nationalities

Croatians	154
Serbians	52
Slovaks	22
Slovenes	8
Ukrainians	13

Stressed in his report the necessity of building the party in the nationality group to help in the coming struggle and to play its role in the 1948 elections:

The following took part in the discussion:

Art Bartl, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Matt Cvetic, [REDACTED] ---

Stress was placed on the Steel section -- [REDACTED] --- and the necessity of building the party in mining and steel. ---

Roy Hudson in his report mentioned that there would be a national party mining conference (either Dec 7 or Sep. 7) -- And I am not sure of this but I think in Pittsburgh. ----

[REDACTED] in her remarks mentioned that [REDACTED] belonged to the New Kensington Branch.

[REDACTED] mentioned after the meeting that: STEVE NELSON IS COMING IN AT ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 8:00 A.M. SUNDAY AUGUST 24th and will be busy with the Serbians all day -- she also said he expects to spend Monday in Pittsburgh on general party business. --7----

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Pledges in the building drive came pretty thick and the Croations said they already planned to have at least three house parties. The Slovaks will try to recruit 40; the Slovenes will try to triple their membership.

The membership drive will take place during the months of September and October. Roy Hudson announced that: STEVE NELSON will spend some time ~~with~~ here in September to help in the recruiting drive. ----

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Someone raised the question about whether Party Members should sign the affidavits which some of the unions are throwing at Party Members denying membership in the Communist Party. Hudson parried the question by this way: he said we should follow the leadership of the CIO in fighting against the ~~taking~~ use of the NLRB -- this would make it unnecessary to sign any affidavits. Of course he opposed ~~xxxxxxx~~ categorically the signing of any affidavits by members.

With this the meeting was concluded at approximately 5:15 P.M.

Communist Party of Western Penna.
Labor Day Picnic
Labor Press Committee

8/26/47

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The office staff of the Communist Party met on Tuesday August 26th., 1947 at 10:30 A.M. to discuss plans for the Labor Day Picnic and the ticket returns. The following were present:

Roy Hudson, Dist. Chairman

[Redacted]

[Redacted] Steel Dist. Org.

[Redacted] Dist Comm.

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Matt Cvetic, ~~Chair~~ Secy. of the Picnic Comm.

Cvetic gave the main report -- on ticket returns he reported a total of \$1945.00 turned in up to date on ticket sales. There was quite a bit of discussion and it was proposed that a quota of some \$4295 be set for the coming weekend to be turned in by that time.

On Picnic arrangements Matt reported the following:

Entertainment - [Redacted] Art Bartl in charge

Barbecued Lamb - [Redacted] in charge

Goulash & Lunch

Sports. - [Redacted]

Beer Comm. - [Redacted] in charge

Refreshments - [Redacted]

Bread etc. - [Redacted]

Sandwiches - [Redacted]

Raffle Tickets - Matt Cvetic, Bessie Steinberg

Lunch Tickets - [Redacted]

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Matt also reported that he will get [] to make some signs for the picnic.

This afternoon 8/26/47 [] and Matt Cvetic went out to Coverdale to see [] to see about beer and they went to see a beer garden owner near Linden Grove Park and arranged to handle all the picnic beer through him -- all people at the ~~grove~~ picnic who want beer will be sent to him -- His first name is [] ----- - lives about 500 feet from the park. b6 b7C

If a complete report of ticket sales is available will get copy and send it in.

Matt also reported that last night there was a meeting of the arrangements committee at the Studio and only ^{four} ~~five~~ people showed up Jim Dolsen, [] and himself. b6 b7C

Also in the course of the last two days or so heard the comment from someone that at ~~our~~ our picnic four or five years ago the FBI gave the owner of the grove \$15.00 to let them take pictures of the picnic.

NATIONAL MINING COMMISSION

[REDACTED] 8/26/47

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Today Roy Hudson said that there ~~would be~~ would be a meeting of the National Mining Commission ~~was~~ on Saturday of this week (8/30/47) and that later today (8/26/47) he would have to get together with p [REDACTED] to discuss it.

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COMMUNIST PARTY OF WESTERN PENNA.

[redacted] 8/31/47

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Labor Press Committee

Up to August 28th a total of ~~\$\$\$~~ \$2453.00 came in on the raffle of the Studebaker champion which was organized under the name of the Labor Press Committee. Of this amount \$2027.00 was deposited in the name of the Committee in the Potter Title and Trust Co. \$406.00 was spent by the Secretary for his salary and expenses - he having returned to the Communist Party of Western Penna. a sum of \$250.00 which was loaned by the Communist Party to the Labor Press Comm. and appear on record as loans in sums of \$50.00. The other \$20.00 of the \$2453.00 was for tickets bought by [redacted] and this amount is to be credited against [redacted] Printing Bill.

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On Thursday afternoon, [redacted] and Matt Cvetic who is Sec'y of the Labor Press Committee met and decided that since there is enough money in the Labor Press Account to pay for the car ~~the balance of the~~ and other expenses the balance of the receipts on the raffle should be put in the regular account. So on Friday a total of \$547.00 which came in on the raffle was deposited to the regular account of the Communist Party. Subsequent receipts will be dealt in the same manner. This will be done so no one can find out how much money was made on the raffle. The official receipt books of the Communist Party will show these subsequent receipts as 'donations' instead of ticket money.

A complete financial report will be submitted if I get my hands on one.

[redacted]

CLAUDIA JONES WILL BE HERE DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER OR OCT.
IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECRUITING DRIVE *****

---** [redacted] AND LOUIS ADAMIC WILL APPEAR TOGETHER IN AN AMER.
SLAV CONGRESS PROGRAM AT THE CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL OAKLAND DEC. 5, 1947.

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August 27, 1947

Dear Comrade:

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The next meeting of the City Council will be held Wednesday, September 3rd at the regular place. We are holding it one week early because of the elections.

The Agenda is as follows:

1. Election Campaign - Perspectives for 1948.
2. 28th Anniversary of Party and Party Building

Because of the urgent character of the problems being discussed, it is essential that all members of the City Council not only attend but come prepared to participate in the discussion. The best way to prepare for this discussion is to read the report by Johnny Gates and the article by Dennis in the August Political Affairs.

If for any reason it is impossible for you to attend, please be sure to call the office and let us know.

Comradely,

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 9, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: EXHIBITS SUBMITTED BY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ~~XXXX~~ [REDACTED]
ON SEPTEMBER 6 and 9, 1947b6
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On September 6 and 9, 1947, the above informant furnished the writer with the following:

1. Vol. I, No. 1 of "Common Sense", a pamphlet published by the Southside Branch of the CP of Pittsburgh.
2. Invitations, etc. concerning American Slav Congress testimonial dinner for Senator CLAUDE PEPPER in New York, N.Y. 10-12-47
3. Mimeographed letter from [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] re Leadership Training classes in September, 1947.

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PITTSBURGH, PA.

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Dear Comrade:

A Leadership Training Class dealing with the program of our Party as outlined at the recent National Plenum will be conducted for all club executive committee members. The purpose of the class is to provide the clarity and understanding necessary to carry out our main tasks.

The City Committee, recognizing the contribution such a class can make to our work, decided at its last meeting that ALL CLUB PRESIDENTS AND EDUCATIONAL DIRECTORS SHALL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND THESE CLASSES. If for any reason a club chairman or educational director cannot attend, he should notify me by phone or mail at the office.

The class will consist of four sessions that will take up the following subjects:

1. The Fight on the Electoral Front - Friday, September 12 - 8:00 p.m.
2. Role and Tasks of the Trade Unions - Sunday, September 14 - 2:00 p.m.
3. Role of the Negro People - Thursday, September 18 - 8:00 p.m.
4. Role and Tasks of the Party - Sunday, September 21 - 2:00 p.m.

Classes will be held at 440 Wood Street.

Outlines for the classes are being prepared and will reach you within the next few days. These outlines are in the form of questions. Their purpose is to stimulate our thinking on the most important questions relating to each session. Please take special note of the reading material. The August issue of POLITICAL AFFAIRS is a MUST for reading and study. Dig into the other reading material assigned, too; it will enrich our discussions.

If your club exec feels that other members in the club should be invited to these classes, please consult with me.

Comradely,

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FIRST CLASS - FRIDAY EVENING - SEPTEMBER 12 - 8:00 P.M. (SHARP)

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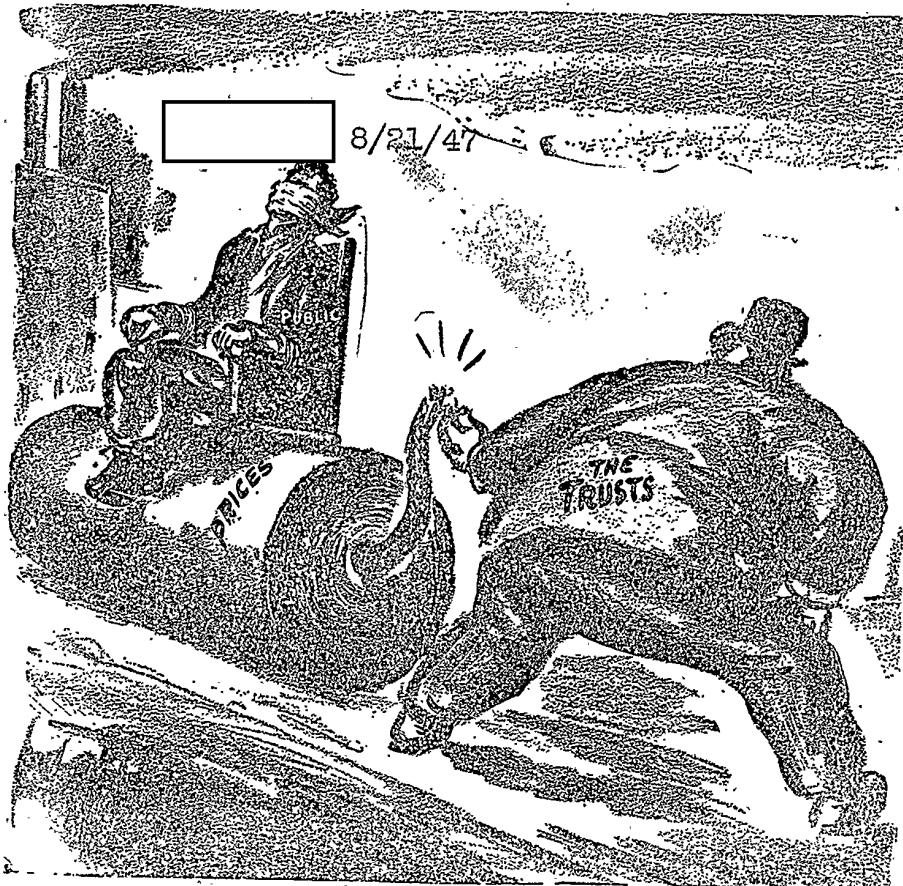
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COMMON SENSE

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August 1947



INTRODUCING "COMMON SENSE"

In this monthly bulletin of the Southside Club of the Communist Party we aim to serve the welfare and best interests of the people of the Southside in terms of community issues that most concern them. Anti-labor laws, housing, job security, more recreational facilities, better garbage collection and other projects for community development are some of the issues.

"Common Sense" will help educate and organize the people of the Southside to initiate and develop political and social action to meet the unfulfilled needs of our neighborhood.

The difficult times which confront us, in common with all other Americans, call to mind the stirring lines of that great American patriot, Tom Paine, who wrote amid the crisis of our Revolution: "These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of his country; but he that stands it now deserves the love and thanks of man and woman."

FRISCO CIO AND AFL UNITE FOR ELECTION

SAN FRANCISCO—The CIO and AFL, with a combined membership here of 200,000, have agreed on an "all-out coalition" to support a pro-labor ticket in the local election this fall. The example of a CIO-AFL progressive bloc across the bay in Oakland, which recently won control of the municipal government against the long-intrenched Republican machine of Governor Warren, helped much to bring about this unity in San Francisco.

Do You Scare Easily?

The people of America have a tradition of courage and pioneering spirit. Throughout our history we have always fought all forms of tyranny and oppression. On July Fourth we celebrated the struggle of the first Americans for independence and democratic rights. However, we cannot leave history only to our pioneering forefathers. We must fight for the future for which they dreamed.

1947 is 1776.

One of the basic violations of our free rights is the slave-labor Taft-Hartley Law. Phil Murray, President of the CIO, saw in it the anti-labor and anti-democratic force that threatens all Americans when he said: "This law is the first step toward the development of fascism in America."

This bill is anti-labor. It destroys collective bargaining. It discriminates against the political rights of all Americans.

It is unconstitutional.

Resistance in true American spirit quickly grew in the "walkout" by the coal miners all over Western Pennsylvania. This is the first test of many hundreds more to come. Workers in shipyards, steel mills and automobile plants will speak no less emphatically than the miners.

Our best guarantee against this slave bill is:

1.—All-out political action by the united labor movement, with the AFL, CIO and Railway Brotherhoods as the main anchors.

2.—The creation of a nationwide protest movement to compel repeal of the law.

In the struggle to regain their rights, the American people will find their spirit.

**WE DO NOT SCARE EASILY!
FIGHT BACK!**

Features in This Issue

TIME TO THINK HARD, AMERICA!

BRASS CHECK

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT
THE SOUTH SIDE?

OUT OF THE FURNACE

TWO MOVIES YOU MUST SEE

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TIME TO THINK HARD, AMERICA!

The results of last November's elections have once more hit home to us during the past weeks with two stunning blows: the passage of the Taft-Hartley Bill and the passage of the Rent Bill.

We need to do some hard thinking about it:

The 80th Congress killed OPA, and now we have a 50% overall price increase and turned its back on the critical housing shortage. It ignored fair employment practices legislation, veterans' needs, and a host of other problems.

The same Senator Taft, darling of the Big Business Republicans, who fathered the Taft-Hartley slave-labor law is also author of the sneak attack on America's tenants.

It is Taft who figured out the "voluntary" 15% increase as a rider to the rent control law, which local authorities claim will raise rents for 240,000 families in the Pittsburgh district.

The working people who switched from Democrat to Republican in scorn for Truman's strikebreaking on the railroads and in the mines last year, now see Taft cutting their throats on the rent issue.

The housewives who fell for the GOP and Big Business propaganda against OPA price control, and who believed that the GOP would bring prices down through "free enterprise" now can test the deceit of those who lied to them.

But to fall back into the arms of the Democratic Party would be falling into a trap. Twenty Democrats voted with the Republicans in the Senate to override the Taft-Hartley veto. One hundred and six Democrats voted with the Republicans in the House on the same bill!

The "two-party system" is proving itself a piece of trickery to toss the voters from the frying pan into the fire and then back again. Every act of the 80th Congress brings fuel to the movement for a genuine peoples' party, a Third Party, dedicated to fighting the trusts, the profiteers, the landlord real estate lobby, and the war-mongers.

It is time to think hard! Let the people now take up the derisive cry "had enough?" and turn it against the cynics who used it so that they could smash unions, raise rents and send prices to the highest levels on record.

Had Enough?

JOIN THE FIGHT FOR A THIRD PARTY IN '48.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE SOUTH SIDE?

Most Southsiders are lifetime residents of this part of Greater Pittsburgh, but we bet few people know their "South Side". We mean, really know it, for instance:

Did You Know that 50,000 people live on the South Side? That the birth rate is higher here than in any other part of the city? Yes, that's right. There are 15,000 kids here between the ages of 5 and 19.

Did You Know that these 50,000 people live on a total land area of 2,000 acres? And the flats has more than 1/2 of this population living on it, because the hilly land takes up 2/3 of the 2,000 acres, and half of this is too steep to build on?

Did You Know that there are 39 churches on the South Side? And just about every faith is represented. Roman Catholic, Greek Catholic, Greek Orthodox, Protestant, Jewish and lots more.

Did You Know the Poles were the largest nationality group on the South Side? Then come the Germans, the English, the Slovaks, and then the Irish, Russians, Austrians, Yugoslavs, Lithuanians and the Negroes. Just like the United Nations, huh?

Did You Know that 1/2 of the population own their own homes, but did you know that only 10% of the homes are in good condition? Half of the houses don't have indoor water toilets, 2/3 don't have tubs or showers, and almost 4/5 of the homes are without central heating? Not so good.

Did You Know that South Side has 47 social agencies serving the community? That's a heap 'o people to be concerned with just the South Side.

WHAT THE SOUTH SIDE NEEDS

Most everybody on the South Side complains about the lack of recreation and play facilities. Of course, we have six city playgrounds and some church and school space, but that isn't enough. Take the new recreation building Ormsby with its gymnasium and swimming pool. Nice place, but who uses it? Mostly the people in the upper "flats" -- it's not near enough for the rest of the South Side.

There are 600 families with children (lots of them) living in Arlington Heights. What do they use for recreation centers and playgrounds? Those cement grounds and that one little hall? A child's education might begin on its mother's knee, but after all is said and done, it is the streets, the alleys, the railroad tracks, and the pool-rooms that give mothers that stiff competition.

The South Side needs more play-grounds, more swimming pools, more gymnasiums and more community centers to bring up a generation of healthy and educated upright citizens.

"BRASS CHECK"

When the labor government took over in Great Britain, it found itself facing a hostile press. The majority of the British people have voted for socialism but their newspapers did everything possible to wreck the reconstruction of British economy. A trade union organization of British newspapermen last year passed a resolution at its convention demanding a parliamentary investigation of the newspaper industry, stating that democracy is in great danger when captains of the press are allowed to sabotage the purposes of a whole nation. As a result, hearings have been going on for some time before a parliamentary committee and they have revealed that half a dozen of men own and control almost all of Great Britain's daily press. These newspapers are not expressing the will of the people and are not writing in the interests of the people, but in the interest of Big Business.

The same situation exists in our country. The lords of the press are flouting the will of the American people. They have been doing so during the Roosevelt era and they are repeating their sordid performance today. Take out city. Pittsburgh is a CIO-AFL town. The majority of the people are opposed to the Taft-Hartley Bill but the three daily papers are brazenly insulting every union worker and praising the "slavery act". The absentee owners, Hearst, Scripps-Howard and Block don't give a hoot about the people of Pittsburgh. The people have no other choice but to read their newspapers. The American people, in the interests of freedom of the press and of democracy, will someday have to take steps and remedy a situation where only absentee millionaires can publish newspapers.

Note: The legal price of a ton of newsprint is \$75.00 That's the price for the Post-Gazette, Pittsburgh Press and Sun-Telegraph. However, the paper on which this little bulletin is printed cost \$160.00 a ton because the big business boys are hogging off all available newsprint. What is left they sell \$160.00 a ton to labor, church, community and servicemen's publications.

Movie Review - "Duel in the Sun"

David O. Selznick's much publicized "Duel in the Sun" might soon be shown at a local theatre. We do not know whether it is the advance fanfare of the "merits" of the picture which drew in the crowds, but one thing is obvious to anyone who has squandered his hard earned money on the price of admission. It is not worth seeing. The picture is not even a good western. Cheap and gaudy, it runs the gamut of man's baser emotions in the pornographic portrayal of Pearl and Lewt's love, and in the race superiority appeal that is obvious throughout the picture.

Pearl Chavez, the dark skinned Indian girl is portrayed as a savage, too primitive for the holy state of matrimony and incapable of finer emotions. The poor girl even beats her breast and laments, "I am trash!". The straw boss of the ranch wants to marry Pearl and thinks kindly of her, but the McCandless clan, who were the lords of their day and ruled ruthlessly over all they surveyed, don't consider Pearl to be an equal human being. These land barons are not shown in their true historical light. Until the violent and gory end they are pictured not without some glory and nobleness. Except for the characterization of Jesse McCandless, played by Joseph Cotten, which gives the story its one breath of freshness, the talents of Jennifer Jones, Gregory Peck and Lionel Barrymore are wasted in this latest Hollywood "masterpiece".

BOOK REVIEW - "Out of the Furnace", by Thomas Bell, 1941

There are men and women in the South Side whose fathers have perhaps told them something of the old days of Andrew Carnegie and Captain Jones, his manager; of the Knights of Labor, and the fourteen cents an hour for a twelve-hour day. South Side steelworkers have heard many times from the lips of Pat Cush, the living hero of the 1889 and the 1892 strikes, about the iron-hearted courage of the workers against the Pinkerton detectives in those strikes; there are many who remember their own part in the great struggles to organize an industrial union in steel under William Z. Foster's leadership in the famous 1919 Homestead Strike.

Thomas Bell has written about these three generations of Slav steelworkers, about fifty years of heartbreaking and glorious struggle by the steelworkers to build their union and to free, literally free, the steel towns. It's about Braddock, and its Slav peoples, its Slovak millworkers; but it could just as well have been Lawrenceville, or Hazelwood, or the South Side.

By the end of the 19th century, the vast movement from Europe of Slavs to the steel towns of America was under way. Many came directly inspired by company agents and company advertisements, for use as cheap labor, just as later the steel companies were to import unknowing Negro workers from the South. George Kracha, and the younger Mike Dobrejcek were two such men, and through their lives and that of Mike's son Dobie, and their families, we are able to see the course of that long struggle. There is the pride in skill; the rich and earthy everyday relationship with family, friends; the weariness of eat, sleep, work, eat, sleep, work, and nothing in between. We learn of accident and death toll, of blacklists and politics, of funeral and wedding feast, of periodic depressions and panic, all woven into the fabric of the steel town life.

Mike Dobrejcek is killed at work, but before he dies he has learned, as his American-born son Dobie later is to learn, that the living central core of his life is struggle, that self-respect depended on it. Even more than self-respect: that their bread, their children's health and lives, their humanity and integrity, their dignity as human beings, depended on struggle. There could be no dependence on foremen or favors, or superintendents or their politicians. They couldn't get away from struggle; there was no neutrality; they could never stay passive, for passivity was defeat. Mike had learned that every living moment required of him taking sides, in the shop, on the streets, with the men, in the elections. When they gained, the boss lost; when the company won, always the workers suffered. "Nobody can help us but ourselves, and if anything is to be done, we will have to do it ourselves!" he declares.

And at the end, his son Dobie was to cry out, just before Swoc-CIO was organized: "Hell, we've got to do something. We can't just sit around and trust to luck!" That something, they did. These American sons of the older Slav immigrants, and many of the older Slav immigrants themselves, organized the steel industry, together with other steel workers of all races, colors, religion and national origins. Thirty-five thousand workers poured in the first two weeks. And they eventually broke down the steel companies' conniving, spying and blackjacking. They did it, all of them together, Scotch and Irish, Polish and Italian, Negro and Slovak and German and Jew. Their combined strength proved too much. U.S. Steel, the giant, gave in and signed a contract, and a new day in steel began.



Dinner Chairman

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I enclose herewith \$.....for.....reservations at \$7.50
each for the Testimonial Dinner in honor of Senator Claude Pepper
at the Pennsylvania Hotel on Sunday, October 12, 1947, at 6:30 P.M.

Name

Address.....

Please make checks payable to the American Slav Congress

(Please list guests on reverse side)

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MY GUESTS WILL BE

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You are cordially invited to attend a

Testimonial Dinner

in honor of

SENATOR CLAUDE PEPPER

tendered by the

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS

Sunday, October 12

6:30 P. M.

at the

PENNSYLVANIA HOTEL

7th Avenue and 33rd Street

R.S.V.P.

Reservations \$7.50

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"You, whose fathers' soil has been overrun, need not be reminded of the nature of the enemy nor of his black purposes.

"You, who have helped to build these United States in factory and on farm and have contributed so richly to the national culture, need not be told the meaning of America nor of her blessings.

"And you, who send your sons into battle and forge the weapons of war that spell victory, need not be cautioned to keep your courage high and your faith firm."

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT
Message to American Slav Day Rally
Soldiers Field, Chicago, July 1942

Program

HON. CLAUDE PEPPER
United States Senate

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SLAVIC COUNTRIES
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

RADISCHEV CHORUS AND DANCE GROUP



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Testimonial Dinner

In honor of SENATOR CLAUDE PEPPER

PENNSYLVANIA HOTEL • SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1947

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B/L 9/7/47

September 5, 1947

TO STATE AND CITY COMMITTEES OF AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS

Dear Friends:

The American Slav Congress is arranging a testimonial dinner in honor of Senator Claude Pepper on Sunday, October 12, at the Pennsylvania Hotel, in appreciation of his contribution to the cause of world peace and his staunch support of democracy here at home.

Together with all forward-looking Americans, we are immensely grateful for those rare qualities of statesmanship and integrity which have made Senator Pepper one of the all too few champions of the people's rights and interests in the halls of Congress. We plan to make this tribute the occasion for representative Americans throughout the country to have the opportunity to salute the Senator, thereby lending national significance to the affair.

This gathering will be the opening gun in the mobilization of Slavic Americans for the election of liberal Congressmen in 1948 and for the defeat of reactionaries in Congress, particularly those who voted for the Taft-Hartley Bill.

We know that you will want to have your representatives at the dinner, if you can possibly arrange it. We hope they will be prepared on behalf of your committee to make a contribution to the American Slav Congress to enable us to carry out our program in the coming months. For your convenience, we enclose a reservation blank, which should be returned to this office when filled out.

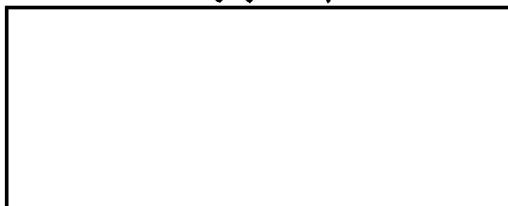
We hope you will be able to participate in the dinner and are looking forward to seeing your representatives there.

Fraternally yours,

Leo Krzycki

Leo Krzycki
President

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 9, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR YUGOSLAV RELIEF, INC.
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On 9-9-47, Confidential Informant C-113 made the attached letterhead of the above organization available, showing the current address of the national headquarters.

100-7291

cc: 67-2584 ✓

JTM:

67-2584-499

F. B. I.
SEP 11 1947
FITTSBURGH, PA.
<i>[Signature]</i>

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 13, 1947

FROM : ~~SA~~ J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ~~13-137~~
DATED SEPTEMBER 11 and 12, 1947

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Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the individual files of persons and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

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AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF WESTERN PENNA.
Communist Party ~~of~~ W.Pa. Participation

B/L 9-11-47

9-9-47

On Tuesday afternoon/Roy Hudson, [] Matt Cvetic and

[] held a meeting in the Studio on Wood St. to discuss the financial problems of the American Slav Congress. According to Matt Cvetic who made the initial report ~~and~~ the Congress needs immediately around \$1,000 to meet current obligations and not less than a total of \$2,000 to take care of the Radio Program and other bills before the end of this month September 1947. []

also spoke on the need of this money and also mentioned the program for the next ~~xxxxxxx~~ three months which include the starting of the Slav Congress Radio Program, the []-Adamic meeting which is scheduled on Dec. 5th., 1947 (the contract having been signed by both parties and the Congress has secured the Carnegie Music Hall in Oakland for this meeting) and also two other meetings - one dealing with the religious situation in Yugoslavia and for this meeting one of the preachers will be brought here who visited Yugoslavia -- the other meeting ??????. In dealing with the problems [] and Matt bought felt that this money should be borrowed.

Roy Hudson in his remarks felt that efforts should be made to raise this money through the organizations and otherwise try to get the money without borrowing it. Then he also proposed that a 1948 Election Fund Drive be organized by the Congress for the purpose of raising funds to conduct political activities by the congress in the 1948 elections. [] didn't have too much to say. Roy also proposed that a finance committee be set up in the Congress. The suggestion made by [] that Matt Cvetic be added to the

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payroll of the Slav Congress was opposed by Roy Hudson for the present.

~~This was concluded the next~~ Further in the course of the meeting

brought out that the Executive committee of the Slav Congress was being called together at a meeting in the Fort Pitt Hotel to discuss the financial problems.

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American Slav Congress of W.Pa.
Executive Comm. meeting

B/L 9-11-47

The Executive Committee of the American Slav Congress of W.Pa. met in the Fort Pitt Hotel on Tuesday evening September 9th in Parlor F. for the purpose of discussing the financial problems of the Congress. Matt Cvetic was chairman of the meeting and the following participated:

[redacted]	, Croatian		
[redacted]	Croatian	Art Bartl, Croatian	
[redacted]	Croatian	[redacted]	Croatian
	Croatian	[redacted]	Croatian
[redacted]	Serbian	[redacted]	Serbian
	Slovak	[redacted]	(Office Sec'y.)
[redacted]	Slovak	[redacted]	Russian
[redacted]	???????	[redacted]	Slovenian
[redacted]	Slovenian	[redacted]	Slovenian
	Slovak	[redacted]	Slovak
[redacted]	Slovak		

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and two or three others.

Matt Cvetic in starting the meeting mentioned that only one point will be discussed on the agenda -- the Financial situation of the Slav Congress -- he discussed the attached report which was passed out to us at the meeting. He suggested that perhaps efforts should be made to borrow the money. He pointed out we have one of three courses either to borrow the money, to raise it by contributions (which he doubted) or finally to disband the congress -- he didn't think we wanted to disband the congress. He also stressed the fact that the congress

here was working correctly and that Leo Kryzcki who was here last week even proposed that the W.Pa. committee make available to all Congresses in the country the ~~xxx~~ program set up here.

In discussion the majority of those present didn't want to borrow the money. All of them wanted the Congress continued.

[] said he had a talk with [] after reading the financial report and they immediately came to the conclusion that they will contribute \$300.00 to the Congress from the National Council of Croatsians. (This contribution was received by Slav Congress on Sept. 19th). [] promised to raise \$50. [] promised to raise \$50. [] promised \$50 from Club [] and \$50 from the local Croatian Council. A total of \$550 was promised right there and other promised to see what they could do. []

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[] ---- promised to raise the question at the Slovene Committee meeting on Sept. 24th. The Secretary was instructed to go ahead with the Radio program and other plans. The Radio Program will be ~~financed~~ solicit financed by starting a Radio club which will ~~accept~~ \$1. and \$2. contributions from individuals and larger contributions from organizations.

Finally a finance committee was set up composed of one from each nationality group. Names which were proposed may not be the committee as finally set up but the following names were proposed:

[] Croatsians, [] Croatsians, [] Slovenes, [] Serbians, [] Slovaks, [] Russian, [] Karpatho Russian, -- others will be added.

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This concluded the meeting.

B/L 9-11-47

FIRST SESSION

1947 and 1948 Elections

READING MATERIAL:

August Political Affairs - Articles by Dennis and

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1. What are the major problems facing the people for 1948?
What is the Party's basic policy in preparing for the 1948 elections?
 2. What is our main slogan for the elections? Should it be to "defeat the Republicans at all costs?"
 3. Should we support for re-election Congressmen who support the Truman Doctrine but voted against the Taft-Hartley and other anti-labor bills?
 4. How broad a coalition can be organized for the elections? How can we help to organize it? What is the relationship between such a coalition and the Third Party movement?
 5. Are there any special considerations which apply to the Congressional elections in 1948 that do not apply to the Presidential elections?
 6. How can the labor movement be won for independent political action?
 7. Can a Third Party movement contribute toward a progressive victory in 1948? Would such a movement increase the danger of a Republican victory in 1948?
 8. Under what circumstances should the Party nominate a Presidential candidate?

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B/L 9-12-47

Communist Party of Western Penna.
Nationality Report.

Steve Nelson, assigned to the Nationality work by the Communist Party National Committee is visiting in Pittsburgh. Ostensibly he was to come here for several days to help with the recruiting drive amongst the nationalities. However he is here to discuss in addition the emergency at the Ludovy Dennik, to plan strategy for the Serbian Convention which is being held at Fort Pitt Hotel, to meet with the Serbians from Slobodna Rec to discuss their problems, to meet with the Hungarian Comrades; to help with the strategy on the Croatian Fraternal Union Convention and to deal with all problems which are centered in the Nationality ~~group~~ work in Western Penna. at the present time; including the Slav Congress.

Today, Friday, Sept. 12th he visited the office of the Communist Party. I heard him mention here to Matt that the Progressive Serbians have a Caucus Room in the Fort Pitt Hotel during the Serbian Federation Convention-The Room number 642.

While in our office he met with Matt Cvetic who is Vice Pres of the Slav Congress and asked Matt for a report on the Slav Congress work. Matt told him they are having financial difficulties. Steve said he heard this from Roy. Steve also asked Matt how was doing. Matt said he was doing OK but had several weaknesses. At this point discussion centered around the article in the newspaper on the Fifth Column which is planning to take over the Croatian Fraternal Union and Steve arranged to meet with Matt in the afternoon at 2:00 P.M. and

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also asked Matt to arrange a meeting with [] for tomorrow or Sunday -- Matt preferred Sunday. Steve said that [] from the IWO will be in town and they could get together.

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Steve left then to go up to [] office to discuss ~~them~~ problems brought up by the newspaper article and Matt left to go over to the Slav Congress office.

Steve was to see Roy Hudson at 12:00 Noon.

From here I checked on Matt and Steve and Matt ~~said~~ went to the Fort Pitt Hotel around 2:00 P.M. and called Steve at room 642. I don't know what Steve told him but Matt sat in the Lobby for about 5 minutes then Steve came down. They went over to Gammons and sat down in a booth and I took the booth next to them.

~~Steve~~ Matt gave Steve a report of the Slovene problems and here they decided to call a National Conference of Slovene comrades in the near future in Pittsburgh. Steve told Matt to get together with [] to write the comrades in the other cities and to make plans for the calling of the conference. Steve asked Matt questions regarding SANS, Enakopravnost and the work generally. Matt told Steve that the Slovenes have their own Radh Hour on Radio Station Wpit.

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Steve Nelson asked Matt about ~~the~~ Kryzcki and what the difficulty was regarding a proposed trip of Kryzcki to Pittsburgh for the CFU Convention. Matt asked Steve how the hell did he hear about it since

[] just called about half hour ago at the office (Slav Congress) and suggested to [] that Kryzcki come here on the 18th to address the Convention. It seems that [] is sore about this and called Steve at the Fort Pitt Hotel and told him about it. (Wuchinich called Borich right after he got through talking to Krall and told him) Anyway on strategy Steve and Matt both agreed that nothing could be gained

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by [] participating but that he could harm the proceedings for our side. Both stressed caution regards the provocative steps being used by the reactionaries.

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Steve said he will stay here at least until Thursday of next week (9-18-47) and if necessary will stay here longer -- depending on ~~the~~ how the Croatian Convention is going.

~~Matt~~ From the conversation I also learned that Steve was to go over to the Language Press this P.M.; meet with the Serbians tomorrow, Saturday, and caucus with the Croatians ~~Monday~~ on Sunday. It is also possible he may make a trip to Bentleyville on Sunday.

Also from the conversation I learned from Steve Nelson's conversation that they are having financial difficulties in the Party Organization and he said that he had to stay with comrades as expenses for hotel rooms were not available. He mentioned to Matt that this is the reason the money was not forthcoming for the Slovene Work, as previously discussed.
NOTE: THESE FINANCIAL PROBLEMS SEEM TO BE MULTIPLYING.

Both expressed disappointment at [] (Cleveland Comrade) falling down on the job as Sec'y. of the Bureau.

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In discussing the plans for the National Conference of Slovenes -- Sans will be discussed, Party Bldg., ~~work with~~ and other questions will be discussed.

After they got through at Gammons they walked down to Seventh and Penn where Steve got his streetcar to N.S. - Matt walked up 7th St.

In parting they agreed to get together if Steve stays over later than next Thursday.

Steve also mentioned in a conversation that "we have 60 progressives in the ~~Hungary~~ Hungarian Convention (which one he didn't say - but from the conversation I believe it is being held in Pittsburgh also - Fort Pitt Hotel - COULD IT BE VERHOVAY'S CONVENTION.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 6, 1947

FROM : J. T. MOONEY, SA

SUBJECT:

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On 9-6-47, Confidential Informant C-113 furnished the writer with some pencilled notes which the above subject had left at District Headquarters of the CP, 417 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, Pa. These notes were addressed to MATT (VETIC). Same are being placed in the 1A serial of instant file.

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JTM:

cc: 67-2584 ✓

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SAC New York

September 10, 1947

SAC, Pittsburgh

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
New York File #100-26200

There is enclosed for your information a press release of the above organization under dateline of August 26, 1947, with regard to a dinner held in New York City on August 21, 1947.

There is also enclosed an outline of the main points taken up at a meeting of the American Slav Congress Resident Board which was held on August 23, 1947, and which is intended as an agenda for the National Committee meeting of the American Slav Congress which is to be held in New York City on October 11 and 12, 1947.

The above material was made available to this office by Confidential Informant C-113 on September 6, 1947.

Enclosures (2)

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cc - 67-2584

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 13, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On 9-12-47, Confidential Informant C-113 furnished the attached financial statement of the American Slav Congress of Western Pennsylvania.

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cc: 67-2584

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Director, FBI

September 13, 1947

by SAC, Pittsburgh

LATHEN OVRIG
CONFIDENTIAL NATIONAL DEFENSE
INFORMANT C-113
Bureau File No. 66-2512

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

The above informant has advised that he has been invited to attend the National Committee meetings of the American Star Congress to be held in New York City on October 11 and 12, 1947.

It is requested that the Bureau advise whether or not it desires informant to attend the above meetings.

In the event informant does attend the AEC National Committee meetings, he intends to arrive in New York one day before or leave one day subsequent to the meetings in order to handle CP and AEC business on the additional day.

In the event the Bureau desires informant's attendance at the above meetings, it is requested that informant's expenses, not to exceed \$100, be authorized.

JEL:J
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cc: New York Division
Bureau File 66-2512

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
September 15, 1947

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Director, FBI

Re: MATTHEW CVETIC - CONFIDENTIAL
NATIONAL DEFENSE INFORMANT C-113
Bureau File No. 66-2542

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of July 8, 1947, which authorized continuance of the above informant for the period of three months at \$60.00 per week beginning July 1, 1947.

At the present time, informant holds the following positions in Communist Party and Communist Party front organizations and furnishes information concerning such organizations' activities.

- 1 - Chairman, Lawrenceville Branch, Communist Party of Pittsburgh
- 2 - Member, City Executive Board, Communist Party of Pittsburgh
- 3 - Member, National and Local Communist Party Nationality Commissions
- 4 - Member, National Slovenian Section, Communist Party, USA
- 5 - Member, National Executive Board, American Slav Congress
- 6 - Vice-President, American Slav Congress of Western Pennsylvania
- 7 - Member, Executive Board, Slovenian American National Council
- 8 - Member, Organizing Committee, Civil Rights Congress of Pittsburgh

67-2584-505

Director, FBI
September 15, 1947

Re: MATTHEW CVETIC, CONFIDENTIAL NATIONAL
DEFENSE INFORMANT C-113

9 - Member of inactive local organizations of American
Committee for Yugoslav Relief and United Committee
of South Slavic Americans

In addition, this informant has contact with National Communist
Party and Communist Party front leaders and attends all District Committee
meetings of the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania.

During the past six weeks, as Secretary of the Labor Press
Committee, informant had charge of all organizational phases of the Communist
Party picnic which was held at Castle Shannon, Pennsylvania, on September 1,
1947.

Since the date of referenced letter, informant has furnished
complete details regarding -

Numerous meetings of the Pittsburgh Communist Party Office
Staff with regard to the Communist Party Labor Day Picnic

Two meetings of the Executive Committee of the Communist
Party of Pittsburgh July 9 and August 6, 1947

Two meetings of the District Committee of the Communist
Party of Western Pennsylvania July 12 and 13, 1947

One meeting of the Organizational Committee of the
Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania, July 21, 1947

One emergency meeting of Communist Party city leaders
July 28, 1947

One meeting of the Communist Party Language Commission
August 23, 1947

One meeting of the Johnstown Communist Party Branch,
August 2, 1947

One meeting of the Professional Communist Party Club of
Pittsburgh, August 20, 1947

Director, FBI
September 15, 1947

Re: MATTHEW CVETIC, CONFIDENTIAL NATIONAL
DEFENSE INFORMANT C-113

One meeting of the South Side Communist Party Club
of Pittsburgh August 21, 1947

Five meetings of the Executive Committee of the American
Slay Congress of Western Pennsylvania July 1, 24, 29,
August 15, and September 9, 1947

One meeting of the local group concerned with American
Association for Reconstruction in Yugoslavia, July 27, 1947

Two meetings of the Organizing Committee of the Civil
Rights Congress of Pittsburgh July 21, and August 4, 1947

One meeting of the Executive Board of the Slovenian
American National Council which was held in Chicago,
Illinois, on July 19, 1947.

In connection with the latter meeting, it might be noted that
\$100.00 in expenses were authorized for informant's attendance. However,
inasmuch as the Slovenian American National Council made a partial payment
of the informant's expenses, he claimed only \$55.40 reimbursement from the
Bureau. It is believed that this presents some evidence of the informant's
good faith in connection with his work.

The informant's attitude toward this office continues to be
commendable and he has been furnishing a good volume of miscellaneous
information concerning local and national Communist Party leaders. He
also continues to furnish this office with literature of the Communist
Party and Communist Party fronts on a national as well as a local basis.

The informant has recently requested additional remuneration
in view of his wide activities in Communist Party and Communist Party
front circles and because of the increased cost of living. In order that
his cooperation with the Bureau and interest in his work may continue,
it is recommended that his compensation be increased to \$65.00 per week,
effective October 1, 1947.

Very truly yours,

JTM:cc
67-2584

F. A. FLETCHER
Special Agent in Charge

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
September 19, 1947

MEMO, SAC.

RE: C-113

Recently the writer made inquiry of the Potter Title and Trust Company concerning the Labor Press Committee's account which was to be opened by C-113.

Upon contacting the [redacted] the writer learned that [redacted] was known personally to this informant as they both resided in the same community. [redacted] stated that if C-113 was known to be a Communist in the community in which he lives, the neighbors in all probability would be so incensed that they would ride him out of town. [redacted] was of the opinion that C-113 was "sucked in" to the Labor Press Committee and expressed the opinion that if he knew with whom he was exactly associated, in all probability, he, C-113, would get out of the movement.

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The writer advanced no information whatever concerning his personal knowledge of whom C-113 actually is, passing the entire matter off as soon as possible with [redacted]

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This information is provided the office should C-113's activities become known in his community.

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F. B. I.
SEP 19 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

66-2542

PERSONAL ATTENTION

TO : SAC, Pittsburgh

DATE: September 18, 1947

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: MATTHEW CVETIC
CNDI C-113

In view of the personal recommendation set forth in your letter of September 15, 1947, approval is granted to pay Cvetic at the increased rate of \$65 per week for a period of three months beginning October 1, 1947.

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PITTSBURGH, PA.	
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SAC, New York

Sept. 23, 1947

JE SAC, Pittsburgh

MATTHEW CVETIC
CONFIDENTIAL NATIONAL DEFENSE
INFORMANT C-113

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~

Reference is made to Pittsburgh letter to the Bureau dated September 13, 1947, and Bureau conference teletype to Chicago, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, and New York dated September 19, 1947.

Your office is requested to advise Pittsburgh the name of the agent and alternate agent of your office that the informant is to telephonically contact upon his arrival in New York to attend National Committee meetings of the American Slav Congress on October 11 and 12, 1947.

An expeditious reply to this communication would be appreciated.

LB:ENG
67-25814

cc: 100-3374

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 9, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED SEPTEMBER 3, 5, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Same should be filed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

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Communist Party of Western Penna.

9/3/47 B/L

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS

A meeting of an organizing committee of Communists working on the organizational plans for a Civil Rights Congress in Western Penna. was held in the office of [] on Wednesday Sept. 3rd. 1947 at 5:00 P.M. with the following present:

[]

[] for the Dist. office of the Communist Party
Matt-Cvetic, for the Slavs

[] Hotel & Rest Workers
, UE

[] UE

[] opened the meeting by reading a letter from the national office of the CRC which stated that [] will come to ~~Pittsburgh~~ Pittsburgh on September ~~12th~~ 21st and 22nd for the purpose of holding meetings, and also to raise money.

The ~~xx~~ meeting which was scheduled for September 8th at the Naples at which a representative of the ~~District office~~ National office of the Civil Rights Congress was to speak was called off. [] made it clear that the reason the meeting couldn't be organized was because of the 'Picnic' (Labor Press picnic).

After discussion it was decided to hold the meeting on September 19th. [] is to prepare the invitation letters. []

[] is to get the ~~Hall~~ meeting room at the ~~Max~~ Seventh Avenue Hotel. As to Marzani - The Jewish Fraternal Center on Forbes St. was decided as a suitable place to hold a cocktail party for [] on the 21st. People will be assigned to organize this party -- probably

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from UE or the Women's Congress. [] said that [] is b6
to decide tomorrow a full-time person or a person who will give the b7C
Civil Rights Congress his or hers undivided attention -- that is take
care of the every day details.

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 P.M.

LABOR PRESS PICNIC & RAFFLE

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Money received for Raffle tickets	\$6527.00	
Money received for sale of Lunch Tickets	<u>546.55</u>	\$7073.55

DISPOSITION OF MONEY

Deposited in Labor Press Account	\$2027.00	
Paid out in Expenses to Secretary	406.00	
Paid out in Cash to Frediani (cr. on Bill)	20.00	
TOTAL - Labor Press Account	\$2453.00	\$2453.00

Deposited in the regular account of	547.00
the Communist Party of W. Pa.	
(\$547.00 a part of a total deposit	
Thurs. or Friday - Aug. 28th or 29th)	

Deposited in regular account of the		
Communist Party of W. Pa. 9/1 47	1020.00	
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9/1/47	245.00	
9/2/47	<u>1379.82</u>	4191.82

Cash paid out at Pinnic for Supplies, Food	431.58
Refreshments and Expenses.	<u>\$7076.40</u>

Communist Party of Western Penna.

B/L 9/5/47

Annual Picnic

The Annual Picnic of the Communist Party of Western Penna. was held at Linden Grove Park in Castle Shannon on Monday, Labor Day, September 1st, 1947. The ~~meeting~~ picnic 'ostensibly sponsored by the Labor Press Committee' was attended by approximately 500 persons.

[redacted] of the Committee and Matt Cvetic was in actual charge of all responsibilities in connection with the picnic.

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Elizabeth Gurley Flynn was the principle speaker.

Matt Cvetic introduced [redacted] of the Communist Party in Pittsburgh, who spoke briefly and he in turn introduced E.G. Flynn. While Elizabeth was speaking the Chief of Police from Castle Shannon attempted to stop her but was imposed on by [redacted] Elizabeth, Matt and others that what she was saying was not un-American - that he could listen for himself. Shouts of "Hitler, Fascist, Storm Trooper etc filled the air for a few minutes. Next the Chief turned his attention to the literature sale which he tried to stop and Matt Cvetic told him he could buy this literature on any news stand in Pittsburgh. The chief left the picnic, mumbling to himself.

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Entertainment at the picnic was furnished by the Tamburitza Orch "Orel" from Pittsburgh, the Dance Groups of the Yugoslav Youth Club "Unity" and also by the Dance Group of the Ukrainian IWO.

Work was in ~~charge~~ handled by the following comrades:

Raffle ticket returns [redacted]

[redacted] Matt Cvetic

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The Lunch committee was organized and recruited by [redacted]

The Refreshments were handled by [REDACTED]

The Lamb was handled by [REDACTED]

Others who made themselves useful were [REDACTED]

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Jim Dolsen who handled the worker and literature, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Roy Hudson.

A final complete financial statement will be submitted later.

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF WESTERN PENNA.

KRYZCKI MEETING

9/5/47 B/L

A meeting of the Committee of the American Slav Congress was held in the office of John Sobczak, 1504 Keenan Bldg. on Wednesday evening September 3rd at 8:30 P.M. for the purpose of hearing a report from the National President, Leo Kryzcki. The following participated:

Leo Kryzcki, National Chairman

[REDACTED]

Matt Cvetic, WYce Chairman, W.Pa.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Croatian Council

[REDACTED] Croatian Council

[REDACTED] Narodni Glasnik

[REDACTED] Narodni Glasnik

[REDACTED] Serbian

[REDACTED] Serbian

[REDACTED] Ludovy Dennik

[REDACTED] Slovenian.

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Matt Cvetic was chairman of the meeting and the meeting consisted of a report by Leo Kryzcki [REDACTED]

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Leo Kryzcki reported on an affair which he attend in N.Y., organized by the Slav Congress Committee in New York for the purpose of raising funds for the new "Slavic Magazine". He reported a total of \$700.00 cash being raised at this function which I ^{believe} ~~believe~~ took place last Friday August 29th. Since then he reports an additional some \$350.00 came in in the mail. He also reports that the Slav Congress has obligated

itself to the extent of some \$7000.00 to get the magazine out. He next reported on his speech which he made in the Allentown area in connection with the congressional fight there.

In dealing with the international situation he mentioned that in Poland over 15,000 persons have been slain by reactionaries since the end of the war. He said he saw with his own eyes two Polish boys one 19 and one 21 who were arrested for their part in some of these activities who when they were brought to trial had "English Pounds and American Dollars in their pockets!" He said the same thing is going on in the Ukraine.

reported the planned activities of the local congress^{b6}_{b7C} and the need for funds to carry on, locally. (THE LOCAL CONGRESS IS IN DEBT SOME \$2,000.00 AT PRESENT).

Kryzcki in closing remarks mentioned that he is to have lunch with some Polish Catholic Priest in Cleveland tomorrow (Sept. 4th., 1947.)

This concluded the meeting.

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS

B?L? 9/5/47

Enclosed is a bulletin and also a notice of a planned meeting of the national committee of the American Slav Congress.

The meeting is scheduled in New York City on Oct. 11th and 12th.

Please advise at an early date if coverage is wanted so necessary steps can be taken.

FBI WASH DC

9-19-47

6-50 PM BW

SACS CHICAGO, PITTSBURGH, CLEVELAND AND NEW YORK URGENT

INFORMANT COVERAGE, AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS AND AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN. AUTHORITY GIVEN SEND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CGO FIVE ZERO FOUR TWO, CLEVELAND, OCTOBER TWENTYFIVE AND TWENTYSIX, NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN AND PAY EXPENSES, APPROXIMATELY FIFTY TWO DOLLARS.

AUTHORITY GIVEN SEND MATTHEW CVETIC, PITTSBURGH C DASH ONE ONE THREE, TO NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING, AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS, NEW YORK CITY, OCTOBER ELEVEN AND TWELVE, PAY EXPENSES UP TO ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

CHICAGO AND PITTSBURGH SHOULD MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH CLEVELAND, AND NEW YORK TO HANDLE INFORMANTS.

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OTHER STATIONS ADVISED

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*cc in
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67-2584-570
F. B. I.
SEP 19 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
Thompson *KEP*

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Director, FBI

September 26, 1947

SAC, Pittsburgh

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Re: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - BUREAU
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Bufile 100-3-74

Rebulet 9-11-47.

Brief reports submitted by the Pittsburgh Office previous to the report of Special Agent JAMES T. MOOREY dated 9-2-47 did not list any Bureau employees as prospective witnesses as information obtained from microphone surveillances was not listed in those reports.

In the report of Agent MOOREY dated 9-2-47, three Bureau employees are listed as prospective witnesses. Each of these three employees have monitored calls over microphone surveillances on the Communist Party where the information received would not be admissible evidence. The Bureau employee listed as being able to testify to a certain conversation is the only employee who could so testify.

In regard to attendance at national plenums or conventions of the Communist Party, the informants of the Pittsburgh Division were canvassed and the following information obtained:

Confidential National Defense Informant C-113 attended the national convention of the Communist Party held July 26, 27 and 28, 1945 at the Fraternal Hall, New York City, as a visitor.

[redacted] attended the national convention of the Communist Party held at New York City in 1936 (exact date not recalled) as a delegate. The informant was at that time Communist Section Organizer for Washington County, Pa.

[redacted] attended the Fifth National Convention of the Communist Party held in 1934 (exact date not recalled) at Cleveland, Ohio. This informant also attended the national convention of the Communist Party held in 1937 (exact date not recalled) at New York City. He also attended the national convention of the Communist Party held at New York City in 1938 (exact date not recalled). The informant has also attended national plenums of the Communist Party held at New York City in 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939 (the exact dates not recalled). The informant advised that during one of the above years, believed to be 1933, he attended two plenums at New York City. At each convention and plenum attended by [redacted]

LMH:RKS

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 27, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113

On 9-11-47, the above informant furnished this office with the attached report on the CP picnic held at Linden Grove, Castle Shannon, Pa., on 9-1-47. Appropriate memoranda have been dictated.

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F. B. I.
SEP 27 1947
PHILADELPHIA, PA.
<i>JM</i>

REPORT ON PICNIC

9-9-47

Receipts for Raffle Tickets
Receipts for Lunch Tickets

\$6527.00
546.55

\$7073.55

REPORT ON RAFFLE

Receipts for Raffle Tickets

\$6527.00

Expenses:

Promotional Expenses \$486.00
Printing of Tickets 82.00

568.00
\$6993.00

*Net Proceeds

*not including price of car.

REPORT ON PICNIC TICKETS

Proceeds on Lunch Tickets

\$546.55

Expenses:

Potato Chips, Peanuts etc \$ 10.80
Lamb 181.00
Supplies for Lamb 8.03
Lunch Meat 10.01
Balance on Park 75.00
Two Park Patrolmen 20.00
Bread, Cakes etc 26.00
Pop 68.50
Soda 2.00
Supplies, paper cups, etc 9.45
Postage on mailing 1000 cards 10.00
Advertising in Newspaper 16.80
Food, Confection, Wellness etc 59.50
Ice Cream 0.00

Total Expenses

503.79

Net Proceeds

\$503.79

\$ 42.76

9-11-47
Rec'd as Pledge
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9-2-47

LABOR PRESS ACCOUNT

B/2
9-11-57

Deposits:

August 13	\$227.00
14	220.00
15	554.00
22	72.00
19	342.00
20	151.00
26	138.00
28	104.00
29	339.00
	<u>\$2027.00</u>

Other Receipts:

Cash Cr. to Frediani for	20.00
20 tickets	
Cash spent for promotional	<u>406.00</u>
Expenses	
Total Receipts	\$2453.00

Disbursements

Freedom of Press - Ad	10.00
[redacted] Supplies & Postg	19.45
[redacted] Food	59.53
[redacted] Printing Co. Tickets	68.00
[redacted] Ice Cream	9.00
Matt Cyclic, Free. Exp.	50.00
Cash to AGS for Phone	
Office Supplies & Postg.	<u>30.00</u>
Total Disbursements	\$258.98

Total Deposited	\$2027.00
Total Paid out in checks	<u>258.93</u>
Balance in Bank	\$1768.07

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TICKET REPORT

DIST. BUREAU

8/6
9-10-47

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>THIS YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>
Co. Hill	\$288.00	\$327.00		
Stor.	\$110.00	\$ 74.00		
Southside	\$10.00	109.00		
Food	108.00	229.00		
Northside	\$98.00	\$61.00		
Hill	\$207.00	\$20.00		
E.B.	\$227.00	80.00		
Students	\$3.00	78.00		
Lawrenceville	\$89.00	\$12.00		
Penn. Top.	73.00	117.00		
J & L	100.00	147.00		
Graciable	60.00	98.00		
Haroldwood	10.00	57.00		
McKee Rocks		\$207.00	\$2886.00	

OUT OF TOWN

Ally Valley	402.00	800.00		
East Feb.	\$37.00	751.00		
Wash. Co.	1001.00	988.00		
Steel	454.00	955.00		
Eric	81.00	24.00		
Parrell	\$61.00	280.00		
Johnstown	90.00	149.00		
IND	\$55.00	69.00	\$5941.00	\$6627.00

Note

Totals include \$374.00 raised by the Creations; \$107.00 by the -orbians; \$100.00 by the Oloyals. These amounts have been credited to the various clubs and sections.

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

New York 7, New York

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. _____

DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:
FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
DATE 05-14-2012

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~

September 25, 1947

SAC, Pittsburgh

RE: MATTHEW CVETIC
CONFIDENTIAL NATIONAL
DEFENSE INFORMANT C-113

Dear Sir:

Relet September 23, 1947.

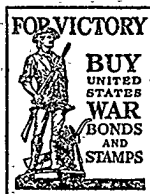
As was suggested in letter to the Bureau, copy to Pittsburgh, dated September 22, 1947, in case entitled AMERICAN -SLAV CONGRESS; Internal Security - C, it would be appreciated if the informant would contact Supervisor [redacted] or Special Agent E. M. Roth (Rector 2 - 3515 Extension 225) upon his arrival in New York City. It was further suggested that, if possible, the informant make arrangements to attend the testimonial dinner on October 12, 1947, in addition to the National Committee meetings of the AMERICAN - SLAV CONGRESS scheduled for October 11 and 12, 1947.

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It is asked that the New York office be advised of the exact date and time of arrival of this informant.

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt
EDWARD SCHEIDT
SAC
67-2584-313
SEP 29 1947
Morney



ELR:FAL
100-26200

*Done 10/3/47
JRM*

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~

October 3, 1947

SAC, New York

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SAC, Pittsburgh

MATTHEW OVERTIC
CONFIDENTIAL NATIONAL DEFENSE INFORMANT C-113

Reurlet 9/25/47.

Above informant advises that he will arrive in New York City at approximately 8:30 A. M. on 10/10/47. He will, shortly thereafter, telephonically contact Supervisor [redacted] or SA E. M. ROTH. Informant intends to use his cover name, BOB LEE, while in New York.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Sept. 30, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED SEPT. 23, 1947

Appropriate memoranda for the files of individuals mentioned in the above reports have been dictated.

The attached reports should be placed in 67-2584.

67-2584

JTM:

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[Handwritten signature]

B/L 9/23/47
September 21, 1947

TO ALL CLUB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

NOTICE OF SPECIAL CLASS THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 25TH, 8:30 P.M.

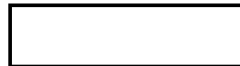
Dear Comrade:

There will be a second session devoted to the Negro Question this Thursday evening at 440 Wood Street. It was decided at our session on Sunday that we had barely scratched the surface and that it would be impossible to leave this subject without devoting at least one more session to it.

Since the weekly radio broadcasts have been changed to Thursday at 8:30 p.m., we've arranged to have a radio at the class so that we can hear the broadcast; we'll begin our class after the broadcast and finish at 11:00.

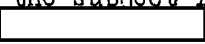
Unfortunately, the attendance at Sunday's session was very poor. This is really unfortunate -- because we find that with few exceptions our understanding and appreciation of this question is, to say the least, unsatisfactory. If we are to begin tackling this question and start to make progress on it, the club exec, and particularly the club chairmen and club ed directors, must take the initiative and must give leadership in this fight. You can start fighting by attending this session yourself and getting every member of your club executive to do likewise.

Comradely,



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THURSDAY EVENING - SEPTEMBER 25TH - 440 WOOD STREET

P.S. In case you didn't listen to Friday's broadcast, the subject for this Thursday's debate is "LABOR". Tentatively,  are scheduled to debate.

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10-14-47
Rec'd from B/L
at 11:15 A.M.
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AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF W.P.A.

B*L 9/23/47

✓ A meeting to discuss the policy of the local committee of the American Slav Congress was held in the Roosevelt Hotel -- Room 602 by Steve Nelson, Matt Cvetic and [] on Monday Afternoon September 22nd at 2:30 P.M. ✓
[] gave a report of what the Congress is doing here (a calendar of events have been submitted) and also stressed the present financial condition of the local committee which at present according to [] needs about \$1000 to meet current obligations including a payment of \$380.00 to KQV to initiate the Radio Program on October 26th (announcement enclosed). b6 b7C

✓ Steve Nelson dealt at length with the Wallace Meeting, the [] meeting and the Radio Program. He agreed with what was being done but pointed out the danger of the American Slav Congress going into activities which rightfully belong to some other organization for ~~example~~ example the PCA, the Civil Rights Congress. The Congress must be sure to ~~xxx~~ work in such a way as to unite the Slav people. The major work of the Congress Steve Nelson said was the Radio Program, and the magazine. And all the work must be pointed toward the '48 election. This in a nutshell covered the conversation. [] came in and at this point [] raised ~~the~~ the possibility of the Slav Congress soliciting funds at one of the evening gatherings of the Progressive Panel of the Croatian Fraternal Union, at the Mayfair Hotel. Steve and [] suggested that he talk to [] about this and that he be sure that there is no objection -- as if there is it would be better not to try to raise any money. As far as our people are concerned Steve let it be known it was OK. This raising of money ✓ b6 b7C

would be done with the help of the enclosed Radio Program announcement which has a ~~link~~ collection list inside and which can be used for solicitation of members of volunteer contributions. /

They discussed [] book briefly and [] agreed to bring in ^{b6}
_{b7C} some parts of it for Steve Nelson to read.

Steve Nelson further ~~voiced~~ voiced a desire to get out of Pittsburgh as soon as possible as work is piling up in New York.

He talked briefly to Matt on Slovene Work and he asked Matt that when he is in New York for the Slav Congress Committee meeting to get together a meeting of the Slovenian Comrades there and let him know when this meeting will be. ----

Slovene Communist Party

B/L 9/23/47

Steve Nelson and Matt Cvetic met in Room 602 of the Roosevelt Hotel on Monday Morning, Septe. 22nd. 1947 around 11:30 A.M. to discuss Slovene matters. ✓

First Matt told Steve that he got in touch with [] on that matter they discussed on Saturday afternoon and [] agreed to get one of our party members who works as a waiter at the Wm. Penn Hotel to see if he could find out where the two persons they were interested in were registered (They didn't mention any names) b6 b7C

✓ Next Steve asked Matt about how things were going in the Slovene work and Matt said there would be a meeting on Saturday in Chicago of the Executive Board of SANS and that he Matt as a member of this board will attend. ✓ Matt said the purpose of the meeting is to make disposition of the money collected by SANS for the hospital fund and to take up other important matters. Steve made some minor suggestions on things Matt could take up and then they got to discussing the Slovene Bureau. Steve asked Matt what if anything was done to call a national conference. Matt said nothing has been done yet since he hasn't been able to get in touch with the guys, but that when he goes to Chicago he will take this up with the comrades there and next month when he goes to New York he will take it up with our Comrades there. Steve suggested to Matt that he consider assuming full responsibility for the Slovene Work.

✓ Next Steve Nelson said that it is important that we have our own paper here and he asked Matt about Glas Naroda. Matt told him that this is an old well-established papers and is published once a week X

in New York. / Matt said, we have friends working on the ~~xxx~~ editorial staff. Steve said that this is one proposition the conference could ~~sk~~ take up and a wonderful place for Matt to be working as Business Mgr. of the paper so he could take care of the Slovene work. Steve thought it was the ideal spot.

This concluded important parts of the discussion.

Steve from my observations was here to direct the Communists in the Croatian Fraternal Union Convention and Matt was giving a hand wherever he could.

Rooms which were used in the Roosevelt were Rooms 623 which was in [] name and where Steve stayed for a while, Room 624 which was in [] name and also Room 602 which is a very large room and was rented by [] on Sunday 9/21/47. /

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Communist Party of Western Penna.

B/L 9-24-47

[redacted] Banquet

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The Committee on the [redacted] Banquet, [redacted] and Matt Cvetic met with Roy Hudson in his office to go over plans for the banquet this morning Sept. 24th., 1947.

Roy agreed that if possible William Z. Foster should be the principle speaker at the banquet and if he can't be secured that [redacted] be the second choice.

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The next thing it was decided to start moving the branches and clubs to send greetings to pat and to take recruiting pledges in honor of his birthday and to raise contributions. His birthday is October 7th.

Then it was proposed and decided that [redacted] should be the [redacted] of the banquet.

If he is not available then either [redacted] [redacted] will be considered.

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The next committee meeting will be held Monday evening Sept. 29th.

Invitations and announcements are being worked on by [redacted]
[redacted]

American Slav Congress of Western Penna.

B/L 9-24-47

Proposed Wallace Banquet.

Today from conversations I overheard in Rooms 1005 Berger Bldg the office of the Slav Congress and at 426 Bakewell Bldg. the office of the Communist Party ~~th~~ I learned that Roy Hudson and [] apparently were dissatisfied with the plans of the American Slav Congress putting a banquet for Wallace. According to Roy and [] it is politically incorrect because all efforts should be made to use Wallace's trip here to build a strong middle class movement (PCA) and ~~th~~ if the Slav Congress would go through with its proposed banquet for Wallace it ~~would~~ could be the means of harming the PCA. b6
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[] and Roy Hudson had lunch together to discuss this and after lunch when [] returned to 1005 Berger Bldg. ~~th~~ he seemed satisfied to cancel the plans for the Wallace Banquet as he said ~~it was~~ that [] and Roy convinced him it was correct to do so. Roy and [] promised [] to see what they can do to get the Slav Congress a percentage of the tickets which they, the Slav Congress sells for the November 10th Wallace meeting. b6
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At any rate it seems that the Wallace Banquet is off.

Communist Club of Lawrenceville

B/L/ 9,23 47

Exec. Comm.

On Monday evening Sept. 22nd. 1947 the Executive Committee of the Communist Club of Lawrenceville held a short meeting in the office of the Communist Party.

A place for meeting for the Club was discussed as it was felt by those present, Matt Cvetic, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that the members of the IWO in Lawrenceville where the club is now meeting are worried about the Club meeting there as they have a liquor license and this might be the cause of them losing.

After discussion it was decided that ~~until~~ until a suitable place can be gotten in Lawrenceville the Club should meet at the Studio on Wood St. on Thursday nights, or available nights.

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[redacted] Banquet

B/L 9/23/47

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A meeting of the [redacted] Banquet committee was held in the office of the Communist Party on Monday evening 9/22/47 with the following present:

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[redacted]
Matt Cvetic.

The committee went over the following agenda;

1. Sponsors
2. Publicity
3. Program
4. Finances
5. Gift for Pat
6. Tickets.

On the first an effort will be made to get some of the leading party members and progressives to sign up or agree to be sponsors

On publicity letters and worker ads and articles will be used.

On program \$100 was agreed as the amount "we can spend for entertainment" and that efforts should be made to get William Foster here as the principal speaker.

On Finances it was agreed that at least \$1,500 should be raised \$500 of which should be given to [redacted] as a ~~big~~ gift.

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And 500 tickets have been distributed (250 in the City) for a banquet for [redacted] - Fort Pitt Hotel, October 31st. 1947 - \$2.75 a throw.

Next meeting will be -- Monday night of next week.

American Slav Congress of W. Pa.

B/L 9/23/47

Finance Committee Meeting.

The finance committee of the American Slav Congress met in the office at 1005 Berger Bldg on Tuesday evening September 23rd, 1947 at 8:15 P.M. with the following present:

Matt Cvetic, Vice Pres.

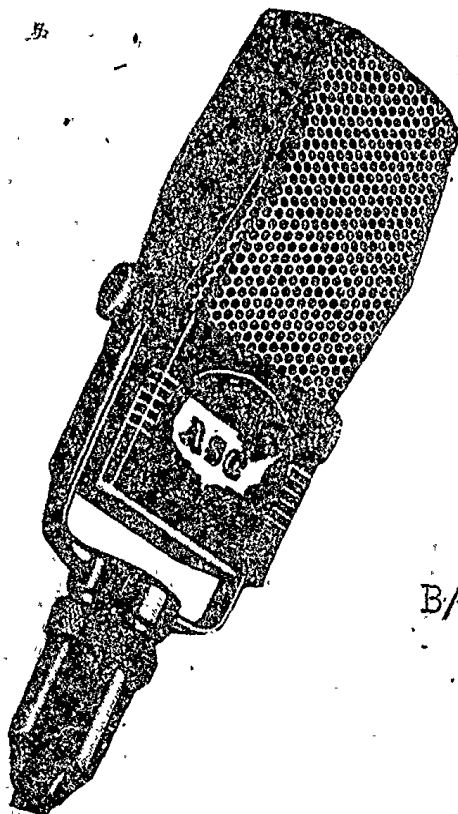
[Redacted]

[Redacted]

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It was proposed that a dance be held, that a real campaign be made around the "Radio Club" Collection lists and that the finance committee take responsibility for raising finances for the ASC.

Collection lists were distributed. Approximately ten thousand of these will be distributed -- They were made on the new multigraph which the Slav Congress purchased. One is enclosed.



**"KEEP
AMERICA
FREE"**

B/L 9/23, 47

KQV
1410 ON YOUR DIAL

**EVERY
SUNDAY
AFTERNOON
1:30-1:45**

*10-14-47
Rec'd at 11:45 PM
from Bob Lee
JRM*



THE AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS

of Western Penna.

proudly presents

as a public service

its weekly radio broadcast

"KEEP AMERICA FREE"

beginning October 26, 1947 from 1:30 to 1:45 P.M.

STATION KQV

(1410 on Your Dial)

Every Sunday Afternoon

at the same time.

BE SURE TO LISTEN . . .

THEN LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK!

Individuals may join the Radio Club whose annual dues are \$2.00. Everyone is urged to make contributions voluntarily in any amount. Organizations are invited to use the following list widely and to vote a contribution.

**ASK YOUR FRIENDS AND ORGANIZATION TO
SUPPORT THIS PUBLIC SERVICE**

We, the undersigned, support the radio program

"KEEP AMERICA FREE"

and to make this voice possible we contribute:

Name	Address	Radio Club \$2.00	Voluntary Contribution
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Please return, with all contributions, as soon as possible to
American SLAV Congress of Western Pennsylvania
1005 Berger Building, Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

(if you can use additional lists, indicate number here.....)

Join With Us - ours is the real struggle to continue and preserve democracy in America

— Franklin Delano Roosevelt



Pittsburgh, Pa.
August 7, 1947

MEMO FOR THE SAC:

INTERNAL SECURITY - C

By report dated July 20, 1947 [redacted] advised the Communist Party Branch of Portaca, Pa. had met on July 19, 1947 at the home of [redacted]

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The following were in attendance: [redacted]

[redacted] reported on the district committee meetings which have been held in Pittsburgh on July 12 and 13, 1947 and advised of the Party's critical attitude toward the Marshall Plan, Truman Administration's foreign policy and the Taft-Hartley law. Thereafter, each of the individuals present also delivered short addresses in which they criticized all of the above policies of the Government.

Informant stated that while he had been in Pittsburgh on July 13, MATT GUSTIG, who is in charge of the Communist Party Picnic, had given him one hundred twenty tickets on the car which is to be raffled by the Party in conjunction with the picnic. Informant delivered thirty of these tickets to [redacted] Johnstown Communist Party Member. He also delivered a number of these tickets to [redacted] Conemaugh Communist Party member. Informant's report concluded that [redacted] Communist Party functionary, is to speak in Johnstown on July 26 and 27 in an effort to recruit Communist Party members.

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JOHN T. HENRY, SA

JTH:KRM

[redacted] 100-7729
[redacted] 100-8857
[redacted] 100-8795
✓ MATT GUSTIG 67-2584
[redacted] 100-7198
[redacted] 100-4580
[redacted] 100-802

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Pittsburgh, Pa.
July 31, 1947

MEMO, SAC

Re: MAT CVITIC
SECURITY MATTER - C

[redacted] informed by report dated July 22, 1947 that the Lawrenceville Club held a meeting on July 22 at [redacted] with the following in attendance:
MAT CVITIC, [redacted]

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A discussion was had around an article in the Pittsburgh Press entitled "19,000 Were Kicking Into Reds, Didn't Know It". This article referred to the IWO. CVITIC stated this article will probably cause [redacted] trouble at her place of employment since her name appeared in the paper. CVITIC said the article was printed to detract new followers from the Third Party - HENRY WALLACE. [redacted] agreed with CVITIC that the whole story is a master frame-up directed at the Third Party and WALLACE. [redacted] said that so far as he knows WALLACE never had anything to do with the Communist Party and never will.

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A discussion was also had on the picnic to be held September 1.

THOMAS T. WILKINSON
SA

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F. B. I.
AUG 11 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
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Pittsburgh, Pa.
August 18, 1947

MEMO FOR MR. CAG:

RE:

SECURITY MATTER - C

[redacted] informed by report dated August 6, 1947 that the Pittsburgh Communist Party's City Council met at [redacted] with the following in attendance:

[redacted]
ROY HUDSON

JIM DOLEEN

[redacted]
MATT CYWIC

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100-1161
100-5651
100-5686
100-273
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A discussion was had on the coming municipal election for council for the city of Pittsburgh. [redacted] pointed out that [redacted] a Negro preacher from the Hill District, has already been endorsed by the Republican Machine but he is not the choice of organized labor or any progressive group, including the Communist Party; that any one running on the Republican ticket is not to be trusted and especially [redacted] inasmuch as he is a minister, who can turn face like many other Negro ministers have done in the past when money was shoved under their noses. [redacted] pointed out further that in the event FALLY wins the nomination, it will then be a question as to whether progressive groups will support him. [redacted] said [redacted] is the man to support. He said that [redacted] of the North Side indicated his willingness to run for a seat on Pittsburgh City Council on an independent ticket. However, when JIM DOLEEN pressed [redacted] for a final yes or no, SPEAR replied he would rather not be a candidate and take a chance on [redacted]. The question then arose as to how the different city Communist Clubs are acting as to carrying out the policy of the City Council. [redacted] of the North Side pointed out that the North Side Club is using its own policy and will continue to do so in spite of what the Communist City Executive Body directs. At this point, HUDSON demanded to know whether the Communist City Executive Body or the N. S. Club was running the Party. A heated discussion followed and [redacted] said that the North Side Club has never approved [redacted] and never will; that as far as ROY HUDSON is concerned, the N. S. Club will

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not be stampeded by Party chairmen and be steamrolled. HUDSON said he had been accustomed to giving local Communist clubs their orders and seeing them abided by. HUDSON then called for a vote on whether the North Side Club was running the party or the City Council. The vote was unanimous, withholding HUDSON. The question was then dropped but HUDSON remarked that this was getting too much for him and at a later date he, HUDSON, would demand the expulsion of [redacted] from the Party on the grounds of being a disrupter.

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HARRY WITIC gave a report of the Party Picnic to be held September 1, 1947. [redacted] reported on the Communist school lectures and that hereafter all lectures will be held at 5328 Forbes St. at 8:00 PM and that all club executives must take part and not fail to attend.

THOMAS T. WILKINSON, SA

WTH:KRW

Pittsburgh, Pa.
September 5, 1947

MEMO, SAC:

RE: SECURITY MATTER - C

[] informed by report dated August 19, 1947 that the Lawrenceville Club of the Communist Party held a regular meeting on August 19 at 4745 Butler Street. The following were in attendance:

MATT CVETIC - 67-2584

[] 100-4586
100-8618
- 100-7645

[] - 100-8042
- 100-8040
- 100-

CVETIC presided over the meeting and gave a report on the sale of tickets to the picnic to be held September 1. He then turned the meeting over to [] and left, stating he had to attend two other meetings that evening. [] then also spoke of the picnic. She also reported that any club wishing new communist literature will have to place its order in advance since no more literature will be sent except upon order, due to the shortage of paper. She also stated that anyone desiring a copy of the Soviet Union Constitution should place his order with JAMES DOLSEN (100-273).

[] reported on the educational meetings conducted by [] and stated that it was the best he had ever heard and that the City Communist Committee should lose no time in arranging another series of lectures.

A discussion was also had on the [] candidacy for City Council. Pledge cards are being distributed by all Communist Party members. [] suggested a program to raise funds for [] and it was decided to discuss this at the next meeting on August 28.

[] then suggested that the party advance the necessary money from the district office and the individual clubs, then repay the district office. [] was instructed to take up this proposal with the City Communist Committee and report back to the club at the next meeting.

THOMAS T. WILKINSON, SA

TTW:ELK

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
September 12, 1947

MEMO, SAC:

RE: SECURITY MATTER - C

[] informed by report dated August 20, 1947 that a meeting of the South Side Communist Community Club was held on August 21, 1947 at 440 Wood Street, Third Floor, at 8:00 P. M. Those recognized in attendance were:

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[] - 100-8313
[] - 100-8179
[] 100-
[] 100-5578
[] 100-7809
[] - 100-7604
[] 100-7330
[] 100-8858
MATT CVETIC - 67-2584

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(American Slav Congress - 100-3674)
(C. P. Political Activities - 100-8531)
[]

A discussion was had on the September 1 picnic of the Communist Party.

[] reported on the [] election campaign. A motion was made and adopted that the South Side Club support [] and that members would help to distribute election cards to aid in his election.

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[] reported that the South Side Club had ready for distribution its bulletin "Common Sense" for mailing to key workers and house to house distribution to acquaint the South Side, Pittsburgh workers with the South Side Communist Party Club and recruit members into the Party. Each member present was to take a number of copies for mailing and distribution.

[] reported that [] a Slavic storekeeper on Spring Street, 16th Ward, Pittsburgh, will also run for City Council, and that the Communist Party ought to support him in the election. It was agreed

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that the South Side Club would support him in his election, but that the Party would not come out openly in its support.

[redacted] also reported that the Communist Party would also support [redacted] in her campaign for judge to the Common Pleas Court because of her progressive activities in the American Slav Congress. It was reported that she called the ASC and asked for their support on the Republican ticket.

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THOMAS T. WILKINSON
SA

TEW:HOM

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
September 13, 1947

MEMO, SAC:

RE:

SECURITY MATTER - C

[redacted] informed by report dated August 18, 1947, that he attended a meeting of the American Slav Congress committee at the Fort Pitt Hotel, Room C, on August 16, 1947 at 8:00 P. M. The following were among those recognized:

[redacted] (100-
MATT CVETIC, Vice President (67-2584)
[redacted] (100-8882)
[redacted] (100-
[redacted] 100-8313)
[redacted] (100-
[redacted] (100-1075)
[redacted] (100-7880)
[redacted] (100-8434)
[redacted] (100-7330)

[redacted] reported that the Russian National Mutual Aid Society of America, 1508 Sara Street, South Side, donated \$50 to the ASC after [redacted] attended their meeting and told them about the ASC. This organization also elected two delegates to represent them at the ASC meetings. They are [redacted]. This Russian club also elected [redacted] on the [redacted] election committee.

[redacted] also reported that there would be a conference of Croatian Americans of Western Pennsylvania on August 24 in Javor Hall, 822 N. Canal Street, to discuss and build support for the ASC. The ASC will support the WALLACE movement to restore America to the path of F.D.R. He said the ASC will begin a weekly radio program in November on KQV entitled, "If You Work For A Living."

[redacted] also said the ASC is preparing a pamphlet exposing Representative McDOWELL from Wilkinsburg, who is a member of the House Un-American Affairs Committee.

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[redacted] reported that he and [redacted] went to Coverdale, Pennsylvania to call a meeting to organize an ASC committee, and that after [redacted] introduced [redacted] to the members of the Communist Party and the IWO, it was agreed with [redacted] (100-7169), Chairman of the Coverdale Communist Party, and [redacted] (100-8483 - informant's report of August 17) to organize this meeting for August 31, 1947.

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THOMAS T. WILKINSON
SA

TTW:HCM

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
October 10, 1947

MEMO, SAC

RE: _____

SECURITY MATTER - C

[] informed by report dated September 22, 1947 that the Lawrenceville Communist Club held an executive meeting at Party headquarters 426 Bakewell Building, and on September 22, 1947, the following were recognized in attendance:

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[] (100-7645)
MATT OVETIC (67-2584)
[] (100-4586)
[] (100-1080)

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It was decided at this meeting that the Lawrenceville Club would no longer meet at 4745 Butler Street, but would attempt to secure the studio at 440 Wood Street for a meeting every other Thursday evening.

OVETIC gave a report on the membership dues of the Lawrenceville Club stating that the club is getting behind.

[] reported he had collected \$10 in dues and turned it over to the District Membership Director.

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[] inquired as to the desire of the club in having a banquet shortly after the anniversary meeting on September 28, 1947, and all present agreed it would be a great thing.

THOMAS T. WILKINSON
SA

TTW:BE
100-8649

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

October 2, 1947

MEMO, SAC:

Re:

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[] reported that the above-named subject was one of those observed in attendance at the Communist Party Labor Day picnic held under the auspices of the Labor Press Committee of Western Pennsylvania on September 1, 1947 at Linden Grove Park, Castle Shannon, Pa.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party spoke on the TAFT-HARTLEY Law.

THOMAS T. WILKINSON, SA

TTW:DEA

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F.B.I.
PITTSBURGH, PA
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Oct. 15, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: EXHIBITS RE THE COMMUNIST PARTY SUBMITTED
ON 9-18 and 10-14-47 by CONFIDENTIAL
INFORMANT C-113

The attached exhibits regarding the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania submitted on above dates by above informant should be filed in 67-2584.

Duplicate copies of the above material has been placed in appropriate files, said duplicates having been received from other informants or other sources.

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PITTSBURGH, PA.
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October 7, 1947

TO ALL PARTY CLUBS
TO ALL FRIENDS OF PAT CUSH

Comrades:

In connection with the testimonial banquet to honor Comrade Pat CUSH, scheduled for Friday, October 31st, we are printing a Souvenir Program for the occasion. This will give all of us an opportunity to extend greetings to Pat. Funds raised will be used for an appropriate gift and for carrying forward the work of the Party. So we urge all clubs to send in greetings and to secure greetings from other organizations, business establishments and individuals.

The enclosed order blanks are for your convenience.

Comradely yours,

E. P. CUSH Anniversary Committee
426 Bakewell Building
Pittsburgh, Pa.

P.S. ALL ADS MUST BE IN BY OCTOBER 22ND.

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Rec'd from B/L
at Pgh. Pa.
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E. P. CUSH 80TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET
FORT PITT HOTEL, PITTSBURGH, PA.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31ST - 6:30 P.M.

Souvenir Program

Send in your greeting for the Souvenir Program:

R A T E S:

Full Page	\$50.00
Half Page	\$25.00
Quarter Page	\$15.00

WE (I) want to greet E. P. Cush on his Birthday and
we (I) are enclosing \$_____ for a full, half, quarter
Page in the Souvenir Program.

GREETING MESSAGE

Name of Organization _____

Address _____

Individual greetings will be accepted at a minimum
rate of \$1.00. Send your greeting with check, money
order or cash to E. P. Cush Anniversary Committee,
426 Bakewell Building, Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

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at Pgh. Pa.
JON

B-L 10-7-47
TO ALL SECTION ORGANIZERS!
TO ALL CLUB PRESIDENTS!
TO ALL CLUBS!

Dear Comrades:

By now you know that the entire month of October has been dedicated by our Party to the 80th Birthday of Comrade Pat Cush. During this month, many things are planned. But the central aim of every club should be to present Comrade Cush with the birthday present he will value most -- new members for the Party and new readers for the Daily Worker.

This letter outlines the specific events planned during the next four weeks in connection with this Anniversary. We urge you as Section Organizer or as Club President to assume personal responsibility for the political and organizational mobilization of our Party members and the many friends of Pat Cush and of our Party to join in the celebration and actively participate in the various events outlined here. Please see that this letter is read at your branch meeting as a SPECIAL POINT on the order of business. Furthermore, make arrangements to have all our comrades informed of Pat Cush's birthday -- by this we mean to reach those of our people who for one reason or another may not be present at the branch meeting.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

1. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH -- This is Pat's Birthday. We feel that it would be very appropriate for every club and section of our Party to wire or otherwise send greetings to Comrade Cush. We would like to suggest that all members of your club sign the greetings. Also, if you have contact with non-Party people or progressive organizations, urge them to send greetings. Comrade Cush's address is as follows:

Emmett P. Cush
701 Reedsdale Avenue
North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.

2. FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10TH -- Special Radio Program -- An interview with Pat Cush, Station KQV, Pittsburgh, at 7:15 p.m. Where possible, house gatherings should be planned to listen to the broadcast. Immediately after the broadcast, you can call the station and speak to Pat giving him your personal greetings and best wishes.

3. FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31ST -- Banquet at Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburgh, at 6:30 p.m. in honor of Pat Cush's Birthday Anniversary. This will really be a great celebration as befits such an occasion. We expect leading comrades and delegations of steel workers from New York, Philadelphia, Youngstown, Cleveland, Detroit and Chicago to join with us in honoring this wonderful American worker and Communist. We have extended an invitation to Comrade William Z. Foster and to [redacted] to be with us. Besides a first class dinner, we are arranging for entertainment of high quality for the evening. [redacted] is what we suggest for each club and section. Each club, especially in the

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Pittsburgh area, should plan on reserving a table. Why should your club give a free ticket to its best active worker or recruiter? Work out a plan to bring your best non-Party contacts, along with maximum attendance from the members of your club. Plan to have the number of your reservations and the money for them turned in as soon as possible and not later than Friday, October 25th.

Send in your greetings for the Souvenir Program that is being prepared for the occasion. You will be informed about the cost of such greetings.

We are also planning to present Pat with a gift at the banquet and we thought that a sum of money would be the most practical thing, so all clubs considering a gift for Pat as well as the financial needs of the Party should come prepared to make a substantial contribution at the banquet.

We call upon every club and every section to give this campaign top priority and to do all that is possible to make it a rousing success.

Comradely yours,


Roy Hudson,

For the District Board

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Dear Comrade:

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It has been some time since the Commission of which you
are a member has met.

It is of the greatest importance that we meet this next
Thursday night at 7:30 sharp and that we have a full attendance.
During the week, we will inform you directly of the place of the
meeting and consult you as to the agenda. But we want to stress
that it is important that we have a full meeting. Therefore,
you should keep the date open, and in the event you already have
planned something for that date, it would be important to adjust
your schedule, if possible, so that you can be present.

Comradely,

Roy Hudson

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Rec'd from B/L
at Pgh. Pa
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Dear Comrades:

The enclosed report on the results of the Picnic speak for themselves in the main. It gives a clear picture of the overall results, what was accomplished, and who accomplished it. To complete the report, only one other thing needs to be said. The comrade who sold the most tickets and won the prize trip to New York to attend the Madison Square Party Anniversary Celebration is [redacted] of the North Side Club. [redacted] sold 199 tickets and had plenty of stiff competition from many comrades.

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Aside from the practical results achieved, the political results this year were even greater than last year's. This is so not only because of the greater financial response but also in light of the fact that this year the Party simultaneously was engaged in many important struggles: the Party Defense Drive; the primaries, the fight against the Red Baiters, the fight against the Taft-Hartley Act. These achievements show that our Party has improved in the past year organizationally; that we have a better political situation in our ranks and that we can also rely on our sympathizers for greater support. Weaknesses there were. But the important thing is to understand the significance of what we have accomplished and this will enable us to tackle our tasks in all fields of work with greater confidence in our ability to produce far greater results than ever before.

With very few exceptions, all clubs made serious contributions toward achieving this success. You will note that the Steel Section did twice the job this year as compared with last year. Allegheny Valley went far above its '46 mark. Our comrades in Johnstown likewise showed important progress. A word also needs to be said about the Pittsburgh Party organization. Two weeks before the Picnic, they were dangerously lagging behind; the manner in which they took hold of the situation made it possible for them to come in at the finish with flying colors.

The success of the Picnic goes to no single Club. It goes to all Clubs and all those comrades who actively did their share to help achieve a collective victory. In the same spirit, let us continue to tackle all of our tasks, particularly that of guaranteeing that during the remainder of September and October, every Club will report serious results in Party Building activities.

Comradely,

Roy Hudson, District Chairman
Communist Party of Western Penna.

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TO ALL CLUBS AND ALL SECTION COMMITTEES:

Dear Comrades:

B-L 10-14-47

The following resolution was adopted at the last District Committee meeting. We bring it to your attention so that the Clubs can begin thinking about the proposals and be in a position to make recommendations when the Commission begins functioning.

R E S O L U T I O N

All of our present activities must have a common aim -- advancing the struggle to insure victory in 1948. The outcome of the 1948 struggle will be so fateful and the responsibilities of the Communists so great that our plans for 1948 must call for expanding the activities of every club and especially of intensifying our activities in the decisive industries. If we were to do otherwise -- if we were merely to continue to function on the same scale in 1948 as in 1947 -- or if we lacked plans and merely relied on hopes to be able to do more, then we would be failing in our responsibilities. If the Party is to fulfill its tasks to a maximum, then we must recognize that, amongst other things, our 1948 budget must provide for such expanding and increasing activities. We must determine where and how much to expand and what plans will make possible the required finances. Therefore, the District Committee authorizes the establishment of a Special 1948 Budget Commission. Two members of this Commission shall be elected by the Board and each of the section committees shall elect one member. This commission in consultation with the District Board shall be charged with the following:

1. To make recommendations, if the circumstances require it, for reorganizing the structure of the present District Budget.
2. To make recommendations as to how much we should plan to spend in 1948 and how and where the District finances should be expended.
3. To make recommendations for the raising of finances for the clubs and sections as well as the District Treasury.
4. To consider all suggestions from clubs and individual members.
5. After the committee's report has been discussed by the Board, the final recommendations shall be submitted to the clubs for a discussion at least one month before the 1948 Budget is finally adopted.

Comradely,

Roy Hudson

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FIRST SESSION

1947 and 1948 Elections

READING MATERIAL:

August Political Affairs - Articles by Dennis and

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1. What are the major problems facing the people for 1948?
What is the Party's basic policy in preparing for the 1948 elections?
 2. What is our main slogan for the elections? Should it be to "defeat the Republicans at all costs?"
 3. Should we support for re-election Congressmen who support the Truman Doctrine but voted against the Taft-Hartley and other anti-labor bills?
 4. How broad a coalition can be organized for the elections? How can we help to organize it? What is the relationship between such a coalition and the Third Party movement?
 5. Are there any special considerations which apply to the Congressional elections in 1948 that do not apply to the Presidential elections?
 6. How can the labor movement be won for independent political action?
 7. Can a Third Party movement contribute toward a progressive victory in 1948? Would such a movement increase the danger of a Republican victory in 1948?
 8. Under what circumstances should the Party nominate a Presidential candidate?

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THURSDAY EVENING - SEPTEMBER 18

SESSION III

ROLE & TASKS OF THE TRADE UNIONS

READING MATERIAL

AUGUST POLITICAL AFFAIRS: Articles by Dennis & [REDACTED]
LEFT WING COMMUNISM: Chapter 10 - "Some Conclusions"

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1. What are the major tasks of the labor movement?
 2. What lessons must labor draw from the fight against the Taft-Hartley Bill if it is to strengthen its present struggles?
 3. What are the two main dangers regarding the attitude of the labor movement to the Taft-Hartley Law? What labor leaders represent these two dangers?
 4. What is the task of the left and progressive forces in strengthening AFL-CIO unity? How can the influence of these forces be exerted on unity negotiations between AFL & CIO leaders?
 5. What do we mean by Left-Center unity?
 6. Why is it so essential to maintain and strengthen this unity?
 7. Who are the Center forces?
 8. What tactics must the Left forces use to strengthen Left-Center unity?
 9. What are the main obstacles to strengthening this unity?
 10. Around what issues can this unity be more strongly forged?

SESSION IV
ROLE OF THE NEGRO PEOPLE

READING MATERIAL:

BEN DAVIS: Path of Negro Liberation (contains main report to National Party Plenum)

PARTY RESOLUTION ON THE QUESTION OF NEGRO RIGHTS AND SELF DETERMINATION
(contained in the pamphlet: "Communist Position on the Negro Question")

STALIN: MARXISM AND THE NATIONAL QUESTION - Chapters I and II

1. Why does our Party consider the Negro people as a powerful and indispensable ally of the working class?
2. Why does our Party consider the struggle for Negro rights so essential to the main struggles of the American people?
3. Why does our Party fight for recognition of the right to self-determination in the Black Belt? How does our Party's position on this question strengthen our day to day struggles for Negro rights?
4. What kind of program does our Party advance and fight for to win the broadest sections of the Negro people for the main struggles facing the American people?
5. What is the role of our Party in carrying out such a program?

What is the role of a Party Club in a Negro community?
What is the role of a Party Club in a white community?
6. Why is the struggle against white chauvinism an essential and integral part of our Party program?

What is white chauvinism? What is its source?
7. How does the Party struggle against white chauvinism? Outside our Party ranks? Inside our Party ranks?
8. What is the responsibility of individual Communists in fighting white chauvinism?

SESSION V

THE PARTY

READING MATERIAL:

AUGUST POLITICAL AFFAIRS - Article by Henry Winston
STALIN: FOUNDATIONS OF LENINISM - Chapter VIII - "The Party"
STALIN: MASTERING BOLSHEVISM - Concluding speech -(last section)
CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.

1. What is meant by the statement, "The Party is the vanguard of the working class?"
2. Why is the Club the basic unit of the Party?
3. What is the relationship of the Club to the Party organization as a whole?
4. What is meant by a concentration policy?
5. What is the essence of planned work for a Party club?
6. What are the major instruments for building the influence and leadership of the Party Club?
7. What are the main characteristics of Communist leadership?
8. What is the role of the Club Executive?

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TO : SAC

DATE: Oct. 15, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED SEPT. 23, 24, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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Pinhook, RA.
<i>[Signature]</i>

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Oct. 16, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED OCTOBER 4, 5, 7, 8 and 16, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the individual files of persons and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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F. B. I.
OCT 16 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
<i>JTM</i>

SLOVENIAN-AMERICAN NATIONAL COUNCIL (SANS)
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

10/4/47 B/L

The Executive Board of the Slovenian-American National Council held a meeting on Saturday, September 27th., 1947 at the SNPJ Meeting Room, 2657 S. Lawnsdale Ave., Chicago, Ill. The main purpose of the meeting was to dispose of the \$150,000 Fund which was raised to build a hospital in Slovenia. The following were present:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Cleveland, Ohio.

[REDACTED] Detroit, Michigan

Matt Cvetich, Pittsburgh, Pa.

[REDACTED] Chicago, Ill.

[REDACTED] Chicago, Ill.

In addition [REDACTED] Editor of Proletarec came to the meeting as a visitor and a [REDACTED] of the Chicago Division of the American Committee for Reconstruction in Yugoslavia came to the meeting and brought a [REDACTED] ----- who is here from Yugoslavia.

~~After~~ After considerable discussion on the Hospital Project in which it was pointed out that it was not feasible to think that a hospital could be built for such a small amount as \$150,000.00 the Board voted to buy medical supplies and surgical equipment and hospital equipment and supplies etc. A board of

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four or five was set up to administer same.

[]----- addressed the meeting and he said that ~~even tho'~~ even tho' the money was raised to help the people in Slovenia the Yugoslav Government would use the equipment purchased where it was most needed. [] in introducing []----- said he was a medical doctor who has been ~~here~~ in Chicago nine months and will remain an additional 2 months. [] is a tall male, wearing horned rimmed glasses and a ~~dx~~ small dark mole on his forehead -- he appeared to be approximately 6'1" tall, and also had a small moustached on the upper lip.

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Board

Under Good and Welfare the ~~committee~~ discussed the national committee meeting of the American Slav Congress scheduled in New York and also the Pepper Banquet which is being sponsored by the ASC in New York. The Board voted unanimously to send []

[] to the Committee meeting and also to attend the Pepper Banquet. In discussion it was brought out that [] will attend for the SNPJ. ~~Lodger~~

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In answer to a request from the American Slav Congress in Western Penna. for a contribution the board voted \$100.00 to them.

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Some discussion was had on a person by the name of [] and also on the suit against Enakopravnost -- This discussion ~~was~~ brought no action.

The Youth Committee composed of Cvetich, [] agreed to meet in Cleveland in October to work out a plan for Youth work.

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Considerable criticism was raised by []

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[] about the officers of the board because of their

not consulting with the other resident board members in Chicago on important matters and also on not getting the political action committee together and also of not inviting resident board members to attend meetings. It seems that at a recent meeting of one of the local branches of SANS, [] was severely ~~six~~ criticized for this by some of the members. b6 b7C

After discussion the officers agreed to meet periodically with the resident board members.

[] gave a report on the status of the United Committee, reported receipts and expenses for the month of August and reported a payroll of two people working for United Committee. b6 b7C

The resident committee ~~was~~ was instructed to meet and decided how to raise finances for SANS this winter.

~~xxxxxx~~ The status of [] was discussed -- he refused so far to accept an office in SANS. b6 b7C

On a proposal by Matt Cvetich it was voted to send copies of the minutes of every meeting to members of the Board.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:00 P.M.

*ENCLOSURES.

Slovenian Communist Party USA

B/L 10/4/47

Recently I understand that Steve Nelson asked Matt Cvetic to take over the leadership of the Slovene work in the country and in ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ this request Steve instructed Matt to contact members in the various cities to discuss plans for a conference soon and also to work out certain important details of work.

Matt I understand wrote to the comrades in N.Y. and asked them to arrange a meeting for October 10th and then from my friends in Chicago I understand he met with [redacted]

[redacted] who works close with the Comrades in the Slovenian Workers Home which is located on [redacted] in Chicago on Friday evening September 26th at around 10:30 P.M. (downstairs in the barroom.

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~~Andxxxxxx~~ I was informed that they discussed a meeting of SANS which was scheduled for the next day and worked out the strategy on several details of the meeting dealing with primarily the political aspects of the organizations. The quartet severely criticized the neglect of the officers to get to work on Political action and decided to make an issue of this at ~~the meeting~~ the meeting on Saturday.

Earlier in the evening Matt Cvetic discussed with [redacted] the possibilities of having a conference of 'our leading comrades' in Cleveland sometime in August for the purpose of discussing several important problems on organization and also of the possibilities of a Slovene Communist Press. -- Both agreed a conference was important.

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Later in the evening the group was joined the [redacted] a prominent Socialist leader and some good natured ribbing was engaged

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in. The following evening Saturday September 27th., 1947 the same group, Matt Cvetich, [redacted] and [redacted] came in and they were later joined by [redacted]. They had about six or eight drinks discussed the meeting which was held that day and then broke up. b6 b7C

From the conversation here which again ~~was~~ was a lot of friendly ribbing and loose talk several of the members of the Communist Party mentioned that they have been invited by [redacted] to participate in the board meetings of his newspaper "Proletarec" a socialist newspaper. Since [redacted] a smooth politico they wondered why they were being invited [redacted]. b6 b7C

This drinking session ~~also~~ also was taken up by [redacted] who gave the lowdown on his work in Yugoslavia where he was arrested, ~~being~~ suspected of being an agent for the British Government. At the office of the person for whom he worked a cache of arms was found - his boss, I believe escaped the country -- according to the conversation. b6 b7C

I also learend here that [redacted] now resides at [redacted]

[redacted] --

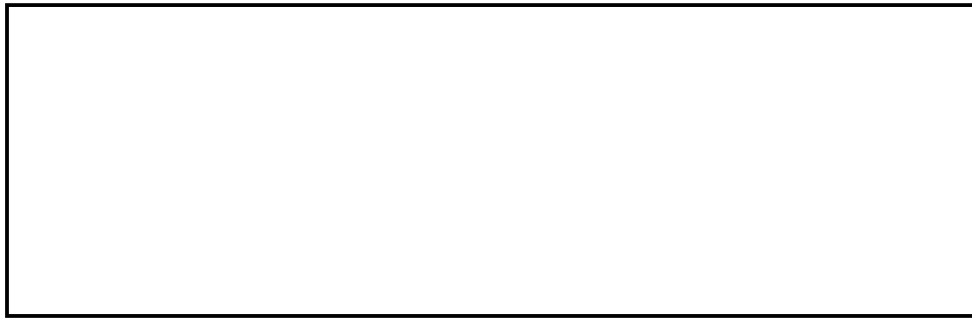
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Exec. Comm. Meeting.

An executive committee meeting was held on October 2nd at 8:00 P.M. at the Fort Pitt Hotel with the following present:

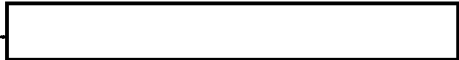
Matt Cvetic, Chairman



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two new persons - names unknown. came with 

The attached agenda was discussed:

On point one Henry A. Wallace Rally it was brought out that a 10% commission will be paid to the Slav Congress by PCA -- the chairman said he would meet with PCA and see what could be done to raise this to 20%. PCA will give ASC an allotment of 500 tickets to start --  said that 'we expect to sell about 2000 tickets for the Wallace Meeting. New Kens. has ordered several hundred tickets as has East. Pittsburgh. New Kans. will run special buses.

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On the Forum on Citizenship some questions were raised as to whether to go ahead with this. It was decided to do so.

On the Halloween Dance -- no concrete arrangements were made -- this is pending.

On the Radio Program a mailing of some 4000 announcements of the program is under way according to The money to pay for the program has not as yet been raised.

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A discussion of the Robeson-Adamic Rally was held and the price of tickets was discussed. it was decided after discussion to set ticket prices at a low of \$1.20.

This concluded the meeting.

NEWS

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS

OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

1005 BERGER BLDG. — PITTSBURGH 19, PA.

Bob Lee 10/4/47

Phone ATLantic 6958



September 29, 1947

Dear Brother or Sister,

The Executive Committee will meet this Thursday, October 2 at 8 p.m. in Parlor "F" of the Fort Pitt Hotel.

We shall discuss the following:

1. HENRY A. WALLACE RALLY - November 10, 1947 under PCA sponsorship at Syria Mosque.
2. FORUM ON CITIZENSHIP - October 17, 1947 meeting at Carnegie Lecture Hall. *see Radio Announcements*
3. HALLOWEEN DANCE - planned by the Finance Committee to take place October 31 at Slovenian Hall - 57th and Butler Sts., with orchestra, "YANKOVICH AND HIS YANKS"
4. RADIO PROGRAM - scheduled to begin October 26, 1947. —

5 Finance
Enclosed is a sample of the publicity which we are sending to over 4,000 organizations this week. All the mailing, both this and the 4,000 to individuals will reach everyone in plenty of time to have our radio program taken up for discussion and support by organizations.

We expect each executive committee member to be responsible for the filling out of at least one form, that he or she get 10 members for our radio club at \$2 per year.

Please do not fail to be present. Come early so that we can proceed quickly with all this important business.

Fraternally yours,

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100% REGISTRATION FOR '47 - '48

.....WE'VE HAD ENOUGH.....

VOTE - AMERICA BELONGS TO YOU

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The American Slav Congress is an organization of organizations

The American Slav Congress is a non-partisan organization of Americans of Slavic origin. An organization of organizations, it strives to affiliate, coordinate and encourage the activities of Slavic fraternal societies, churches, cultural and social clubs and trade union groups for a united program of peace, economic security and progress.

"America is proud of her Slavic Citizens."

FDR to the First American Slav Congress

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[REDACTED] has returned to the United States from Yugoslavia. She has been visiting Pittsburgh and made a trip to the office of the Communist Party where she had a visit with Roy Hudson **FRIDAY P.M. 10-3-47** While in Yugoslavia she said she spent most of her time in Bosnia.

She is making her home at Rochester, New York and ~~said~~ she said on Friday October 3rd that she expects to return there in a day or two.

Civil Rights Congress

b/L 10/4/47

Organization Meeting.

A meeting to organize the Civil Rights Congress was held at the Jewish Fraternal Center in Squirrel Hill on Friday evening Oct. 3rd at 8:00 P.M.

Many of the people were new to me but the following members of the Communist Party were among the 22 or so persons who were present and who seem to be running the meeting.

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Matt Cvetic, Slav Congress

[REDACTED] U.E.

----- [REDACTED] Negro - Northside (I think)

A steering committee was set up of which [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] --

A future mass meeting was discussed and several organizations questions as yet undecided were also discussed.

The Committee for the Crusade against Lynching voted to join the CRC and a separate committee was set up under CRC to carry on a campaign against Lynching (Of course this doesn't do ~~way~~ away with the Comm for Crusade against Lynching.

AT ANY RATE - PLEASE ADVISE HOW EXTENSIVE COVERAGE IS WANTED ON THIS FROM THIS CORRESPONDENT.

American Slovene Day Committee

B/L 10/5/47

The American Slovene Day Committee met in the Slovenian Home on 57th St. on Sunday afternoon, October 5th.

This committee whose primary purpose at present is to raise money for a Slovene Radio Hour.

Officers of this organization are:

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~~The Radio Hour~~

The meeting attended by around 95 delegates representing 41 lodges was comprised largely of SNPJ lodges, a few AFU Lodges one or two KSKJ Lodges and several independent Slovenian Clubs.

The meeting voted to continue the Radio Hour for an indefinite period. To change its broadcast activities from Station WPIT to WLOA a new station in Braddock which is being operated by a [REDACTED] According to [REDACTED] Editor of Ludovy Dennik is very active in organizing ~~kh~~ some of the work for his station. They have a Slovak Radio hour which was organized by the Progressive Slovaks [REDACTED] & Co.)

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The meeting also heard a financial report from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and voted a \$50.00 contribution to the American Slav Congress for their Radio Hour which begins October 26th. This was voted in answer to a personal appeal from Matt Cvetich who is vice president of the American Slav Congress of W.Pa.

A Radio committee of three persons was set up.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

B-L 10-7-47

COMMUNIST PARTY OF WESTERN PENNA.

PAT KUSH BANQUET ETC.

A birthday Party was held in honor of Pat Kush at the Studio on Wood St. on Tuesday evening October 7th., 1947 at 5:30 P.M. with the following participating:

Pat Cush, Honor Guest.

Roy Hudson, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Matt Svetick

[REDACTED] female

[REDACTED] (A cousin/of [REDACTED] from Georgia who is living at [REDACTED])

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Jim Dolsen [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (who brought the liquor etc and was in charge of arrangements.)

And several others

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS THE "INTERNATIONALE" WAS SUNG BY THE GROUP WITH GREAT 'GUSTO' AND WITH MUCH RIDICULE ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ AFTERWARD ABOUT TRUMAN'S PROGRAM.

The affair got under way at 5:30 and broke up around 7:30 P.M.

Youth work in the Yugoslav movement
of the Communist Party

B-L 10-8-47

While Matt Cvetic was in our office to solicit ads for Pat Cushman's banquet he met with Arthur Bartl. Arthur called him yesterday and asked Matt to come to the office to discuss a certain matter.

It turned out that the subject was 'Youth Work' amongst the Americans of Yugoslav descent and Arthur proposed that a meeting of leading party persons be held at East St. Northside on Saturday November 1st. at 2:00 P.M.

Arthur told Matt that [redacted] and b6 b7C Matt should be at this meeting. He said also that we would get three from the Serbians and three from the Croatians. Two of these from the regular bureau and one youth.

Arthur also said that it will be proposed that a full time person be put on to organize this work nationally and that ~~effort~~ we should get someone from the national office to participate in the meeting,

Matt was in agreement with Art and told Art they had been discussing Youth work at SANS and that he, Matt and two others were on a committee to organize the Slovene work amongst the Slovenes.

This concluded this discussion.

[redacted] B-L 10-8-47

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Today, October 8th [redacted] was talking to Matt Svetic who was at our office for the purpose of getting Ads for the Pat Cush Souvenir Program in conjunction with Pat Cush's Banquet.

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I heard [redacted] tell Matt that he just returned from Canada and that he brings greetings to Matt and [redacted] from Miketich.

He told Matt that as soon as the Serbian Convention is over he will go to Washington, D.C. to New York City and then to Canada to stay. (It is possible he may go to Yugoslavia)

He told Matt he was busy working on the 'banners' for the Serbian Convention.

Matt told him they want to have a conference of the Slovene ~~leaders~~ party leaders to discuss problems and to also discuss the newspaper (the possibility is being discussed by the Communists Slovene of whether to purchase a paper ~~for the Slovene press~~ so the Party Line can be carried in it. So far nothing concrete has come of this). [redacted] told Matt that he should get either [redacted]

[redacted] to come to the meeting.. He said [redacted] would be better since he is the [redacted] (These are party members from Canada). [redacted] also said if he is still here he will attend the Slovene conference but he said it was doubtful he would be here as he is anxious to get away right after the conference (Scheduled Oct 25th-26th) and from Matt's conversation it was evident the Slovenes wouldn't get together until afterward.

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Communist Party of Western Penna.

B-L 10-8-47

Slav Work

Today Roy Hudson met with [redacted] for about 45 minutes to discuss the work in the Slav Congress. Roy also met with [redacted] [redacted] met with Matt Cvetic.

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All these discussions pertained to Slav Congress work and also to participation of the IWO in the Pat Cush Banquet.

[redacted] said there would be a meeting on October 18th at [redacted] and that Matt should come to this meeting and he would no doubt be successful in securing Greet ngs for the program and also contriutions.

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[redacted] also said that a 'Lavin' Levin or Levine was here from Detroit, Michigan for the purpose of examining the party personel.

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I'm not sure of the name but Mike said he spoke to him.

It is also possible ~~that~~ from the conversations I have overheard that the 'Nationality' Commission may be re-established as many of the members haven't been satisfied with the work in the Slav Field and Matt who seems to be active in the Slav field has been very outspoken in favor of this.

COMMUNIST PARTY OF PITTSBURGH

B=L 10#8-47

EXECUTIVE COMM. MEETING.

no again

The City Executive Committee held their meeting at the Office of the Communist Party in the Bakewell Bldg. on Wednesday evening Oct. 8th at 8:30 P.M. The meeting originally scheduled for the Studio was held at the Party office due to some misunderstanding on the arrangements:

Present were:

[Redacted]

Matt Cvetic, Lawrenceville

[Redacted]

Lawrenceville

Lawrenceville

[Redacted]

Hill

, East End

Jim Dolson, Northside

[Redacted]

Northside

A member from S.S. I believe was [Redacted]
dark curly hair - husky

[Redacted]

Visiting from Cleveland, Ohio

Students

, Sq. Hill

[Redacted]

Crucible.

Discussed were:

The Elections - the party will endorse the straight democratic ticket with the exception of one place on City Council

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and on this the party will work ~~xxx~~ for a Negro Candidate on the Republican ticket - Talley.

The meeting discussed the Pat Cush Banquet and specifically dealt with the Party Recruiting Drive which Pat Cush proposes for his birthday, the Sale of tickets and the Program Space.

A question of a charge of 'White Chauvinism against one of the party members was raised -- this is a two month old question having to do with an incident in Penn Twp. and I believe it involves

[redacted] A statement will be issue after the board meets and distribute to the Clubs on this.

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[redacted] announced that a "Testimonial" will be held by the N.S.Club at the Mayfair Hotel on May 6th.

Matt Cvetic announced an Oct. 17th meeting sponsored by the Slauv Congress in the Carnegie Lecture Hall in Northside.

This concluded the meeting.

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*Enclosures

B-L 10-16-47

Communist Party of Pittsburgh

E. Pat Cuth Banquet.

The committee on the Pat Cuth Banquet met on Tuesday Afternoon October 14th at 5:30 P.M. in the office of Roy Hudson. Participating were [redacted] Matt Cvetic, [redacted] and Roy Hudson. b6 b7C

Discussed were the Advertisements for the Program Book, Tickets, & Program, & Sponsors.

Book

On the Program/the committee discussed the committee decided that all branches, sections, language presses, two Lodges and friendly business people should be contacted for an Ad. Suggested by [redacted] were the following to be seen for an Advertisements: T & G Shop and [redacted] Store by [redacted] in Hazelwood and Downtown b6 b7C by [redacted] Filners by [redacted] the Jewish Cultural Center, [redacted] and Horak by [redacted] Further it was brought out that E. Pittsburgh and Farrell have already taken an Ad and that 3 branches in the City have taken an Ad.

On Tickets some 75 tickets are reported sold and of these 40 were sold by the Northside Club.

On the Program a telegram arrived while the meeting was in Progress from Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, accepting the part of the main speaker on the Program. ~~Elizabeth~~ [redacted] has also been invited. William Z. Foster was invited but could not accept. A program of Entertainment will also be arranged. b6 b7C

On Sponsors [redacted] was instructed to visit [redacted] the former Burgess of Homestead and ask him to be chairman of the Banquet.

On the banquet itself, Matt Cvetic was asked to be in charge of
all the arrangements of the banquet itself and to get the girls lined
up for the collection etc .

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Civil Rights Congress

B-L 10-16-47

The Civil Rights Congress held its regular meeting on Wednesday Evening, October 15th at 8:30 P.M. at the Jewish Cultural Center in Squirrel Hill.

Some 15 people participated, the following known to me:

Chairman of the meeting, ----- [redacted] from the UE; [redacted]

[redacted] -- others present, [redacted]

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----- [redacted] (CIO) (610); [redacted]

[redacted] and several

others:

A varied program was discussed:

A total of 18 members have been signed up until tonight. Of the \$1.00 recruiting fee - .50¢ goes to the national office and .50¢ to the local district.

A broad distribution and sale of the Marzani Pamphlet is being organized by the congress;

Discussed was the enclosed program of the CRC on which the following action was decided: On the national conference it was decided to send a delegate from the local CRC and to try to get the local Trade Unions, Fraternal Organizations and other mass groups such as Slav Congress to send delegates.

On the Petition campaign it was decided to carry on such a campaign in this district.

[redacted] mentioned something about four UOPWA members who were distributing ~~map~~ pamphlets today during lunch and were stopped by the city police. He proposed action on this in the way of an organized protest.

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Money to send a delegate from the CRC will be raised by

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and Matt Cvetic and others.

The next meeting of this committee will be ~~on~~ held on Wednesday
October 29th.

CRC

Campaigns and Activities of the CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS

205 EAST 42ND ST., NEW YORK 17, N. Y. • MURRAY HILL 4-6640

XXXXX B/L 10-16-47

September 17, 1947

NATIONAL CONFERENCE SET
FOR CHICAGO NOV. 21-23

The second national conference of CRC will be held in Chicago, Ill., on November 21, 22 and 23, 1947; it was decided last week by the national executive committee. The sessions will be held at Hull House. A mass meeting, scheduled for the evening of November 21, will be at the Ashland Auditorium.

Delegates will be expected to work out the best means for meeting the attack on civil rights in all fields, including the attack on labor, federal employees, the Negro people and minority political and religious groups.

Start now on plans to mobilize a large and representative delegation from your organization and city.

MARSHALL TO BE TRIED
FOR "CONTEMPT" NOV. 11

The trial of George Marshall, chairman of the CRC board of directors, for contempt of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, has been set for Nov. 11 in the Federal District Court for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Marshall as chairman of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties was cited for contempt, and later indicted, because he refused to deliver the list of contributors to NFCL into the hands of the Rankin committee for addition to its notorious blacklist of over 1,000,000 names. Mr. Marshall's defense will be that the committee had no right to the information and that the committee has no right to exist because it violates the constitutional guarantees of free speech, free press, and freedom from unlawful search and seizure of records.

Mr. Marshall's chief trial counsel is A.J. Isserman, retained by CRC.

PETITION DRIVE TO ABOLISH
"UN-AMERICANS" OPENS IN OCT.

A petition campaign directed to Congress for passage of the Sabath resolution (HR 46) to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities will be launched next month on a national scale, it has been decided by the CRC executive committee.

It is expected that this drive will receive the widest support and that chapters and cooperating organizations in all fields will be able to roll up the signatures of a healthy slice of America. The petition form ~~will be distributed~~ for national distribution by October 1st.

Chapters and other organizations are requested to schedule their final drive on the collection card campaign during the last week of September or the first week of October. Final returns, including the national CRC's share of the funds collected should be received at headquarters by Oct. 15th.

FULL-TIME NATIONAL
COUNSEL APPOINTED

Samuel Rosenwein, former counsel for OPA, has been appointed counsel for CRC by the executive committee of the national board of directors. In addition to his OPA background, Mr. Rosenwein is a veteran in the field of labor and civil rights. Part of his duties will consist of aiding local chapters and their law committees; he is available for advice and aid in local cases.

CRC ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
ESTABLISHED IN NEW JERSEY

Plans for a state-wide CRC organization in New Jersey were speeded up when an organizing committee, meeting on Sept. 12th, in Newark, appointed Arthur Brown, organizer for the United Furniture Workers, as full-time secretary of the committee. Louis Adamic has addressed a letter to community leaders throughout the state, inviting them to sponsor the formation of a state CRC organization. Milton Kemnitz, CRC field director, is assisting in the drive.

An attractive pamphlet on the CARL MARZANI case now available. 5¢ each; \$3 per 100.

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Lawrenceville Communist Club.

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Exec. Comm. Meeting.

The Executive Committee of the Lawrenceville Club met at the home of [] on Tuesday October 14th at 8:30 P.M.

The following were present:

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[] and Matt Cvetic who is chairman of the club.

Discussed were the following:

Dues, Meeting Problem, Recruiting, Cush's Banquet, Wallace Meeting and the Elections:

The chairman Matt Cvetic on the Dues called attention to the fact that the Club was getting behind in Dues and that steps should be taken to see that they are collected.

On the Meeting Problem he suggested that alternate meetings be held one in downtown and one in some members home each month. He also proposed that one of the meetings be specifically for those members who work in the industries in the section and that attendance be mandatory. and that the other meeting be called for the entire club.

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On Recruiting he proposed that [] and Matt take the responsibility of organizing the recruiting in the section.

On Cush's Banquet the Club voted to take a \$25.00 space in the Program Ad Book and also to take up the Banquet at the next meeting which will be held next week, Thursday.

Wallace Meeting was discussed and tickets will be brought to the next meeting by Matt.

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On elections [] read the party statement on the elections dealing with Talley's campaign and this closed the meeting.

Communist Party of Pittsburgh

B-L 10-16-47

Personal Conversations

From conversations which I overheard I understand that [redacted] [redacted] is no longer President of the Southside Club and that according to his words he is still a member of the Party ex-officio but that for ~~xxx~~ practical reasons he has withdrawn from the Southside Club and apparently quit the party. This is to protect his job.

From overhearing a conversation I also heard that [redacted] [redacted] is teaching a class in East Pittsburgh on the Communist Manifesto. The [redacted] live on [redacted]

(around or at [redacted])

Also overheard [redacted] stress the importance of the participation of the club members in the shop activities and stressing the future work of the party clubs in the industries.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Oct. 16, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR THE PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Under dates of 9-18 and 10-14-47, Confidential Informant C-113 furnished the attached letters regarding the above organization and the National Conference for the Protection of Foreign Born to be held in Cleveland on October 25-26, 1947.

100-148

cc: 67-2584 ✓

67-2584-524
F. B. I.
OCT 16 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
<i>[Signature]</i>

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : **Sac**DATE: **Oct. 16, 1947**FROM : **Sa J. T. Mooney**SUBJECT: **AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C**

Under date of 10-14-47, Confidential Informant C-113 furnished the attached letter regarding the Testimonial dinner to be held by the ASC in honor of Senator Claude Pepper at the Pennsylvania Hotel, New York, N.Y. on October 12, 1947.

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cc: 67-2584 ✓

JTM:

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F. B. I.	
OCT 16 1947	
PITTSBURGH, PA.	
	<i>JTM</i>

DIRECTOR, FBI

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

October 18, 1947

SAC, BIRMINGHAM

HAZEL CUNNING
OFFICIAL FILE NATIONAL DEFENSE INFORMATION C-113
BUREAU FILE NO. 66-2542

Rebulet 9/19/47, authorizing payment of expenses up to \$100.00 to the above informant for his attendance at the National Committee meetings of the American Slav Congress in New York City, New York, on October 11, and 12, 1947.

Informant has been paid this amount to cover the expenses incurred by him during the above period.

However, informant advises that, at the request of the New York Office, he remained in New York City on October 13, 1947 in order that he might meet with SEYMOUR NELSON and [redacted] and thus obtain possible information for the New York Office. In complying with the request of the New York Office, informant advises that he incurred an additional expense in the amount of \$23.45, for which he desires reimbursement.

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It is requested that the Bureau grant this office authority to reimburse informant for the additional expenses incurred by him on October 13, 1947.

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cc: New York

Slovenian-American National Council

10/4/47 B/L

The following expenses incurred covering activities of the above organization were not reimbursable from any source:

Expenses incurred September 26th and September 27th in Chicago.

2 - days Hotel Expenses	\$11.00	
Entertainment expenses.	<u>8.00</u>	\$19.00

Entertainment expenses were incurred entertaining

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Oct. 20, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED OCTOBER 18, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the individual files of persons mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

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F. B. I.	
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PITTSBURGH, PA.	
	<i>[Signature]</i>

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS

GAILMOR MEETING

10-18-47

Approximately 150 persons attended the Forum which was held by the American Slav Congress at the Carnegie Lecture on Friday evening October 16th and at which [] was the principle speaker. b6 b7C

The audience was composed of Communist Party Members, Sympathizers and a few curiosity seekers. ~~Not Negroes attended~~ The audience was equally divided as to Slav and non-Slav participation with only one or two negroes participating.

The agenda which was submitted was follow fairly closely with the exceptions of the proposed resolutions which were not ~~adopted~~ adopted.

The turnout was very poor considering the effort and publicity given to the meeting. -- The Slav Congress mailed out a month ago a calendar of events (5000 copies) which publicized this meeting -- Additional 4000 postcards were sent out a week ago and all the language presses gave space to advertising the meeting. "The Generator also carried a notice of the meeting and the Pittsburgh newspaper red-baited the meeting the day before. With all this publicity only 150 persons turned out.

Three newspaper reporters covered the meeting and at least one of them took shorthand notes of [] speech. b6 b7C

[] was paid \$200.00 by the Slav Congress ~~for~~ for coming here. This was paid as follows: \$88.00 cash (which was raised by a collection at the meeting; a check for \$90.71 (the pennies are approximate) and the balance with a train ticket to New York (I believe to N.Y.)

From other observations I notice that Abner Green and [] are pretty good friends.

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The poor turnout caused much concern amongst the members of the Slav Congress especially was [] disturbed who expected a crowd of some 800 or more and a collection of \$1200.00. [] was further disturbed by a conversation he had with [] on the day of the meeting when [] told him he will resign effective October 24th. A serious discussion will be had this week.

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Roy Hudson's views on the meeting however were that the meeting was politically a success. Overhearing him talking to Matt in our party office I heard him ~~xx~~ ask Matt to arrange a meeting with [] for Tuesday afternoon October 20th. Roy asked Matt when the Executive Committee of Slav Congress is meeting and Matt told him on Wednesday evening and that Krzycki is coming here for the meeting.

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Editors:Note: It was the opinion of most that the red-baiting and the attacks on the Party and the Slav Congress ~~have~~ was principally responsible for the poor crowd. To a large degree I believe this is a correct assumption.

American Slav Congress of Western Penna.
1005 Berger Building
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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10-18-47

October 17, 1947

1. [redacted]
University of Pittsburgh
Introductory remarks - what price citizenship? 10 min.
2. [redacted] AFL #237 Hotel and Restaurant
Workers - Negro American - second class
citizenship, 5 min.
3. [redacted] - Well-known union organizer, Business
Agent, Hotel and Restaurant Workers,
AFL #237. Harisiados and Obermaier -
cases trade union discrimination, etc.
Marshall statement. 5 min.
4. [redacted] - recently returned from Palestine - Relation
of Palestine to US - Statue of Liberty saying,
Fortune Poll - rising anti-semitism. 10 min.
5. Abner Green - American Committee for Protection of Foreign
Born, Executive Secretary - state background
and political nature of citizenship cases 10 min.
6. [redacted] - Cross examine cases - collection speech. 20 min
7. [redacted] - LOYALTY TO AMERICA - main speaker. 40 min
8. Resolutions - Matthew Cvotic, Vice Pres. American Slav Congress
9. Announcements - [redacted]

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RESUME OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE
MEETING - [REDACTED] 10-18-47 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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SLAVIC AMERICANS TAKE THE OFFENSIVE \$120,000 FIGHTING FUND 1948 DRIVE ANNOUNCED BY ASC

New York, October 14, 1947: The National Committee of the American Slav Congress, at a two-day meeting under the chairmanship of Zlatko Balokovic, launched a campaign for \$120,000 under the slogan, "Fighting Fund for 1948". The fund is to implement the ASC program for peace, prosperity and security.

Leo Krzycki, addressed the 60 committee members cautioning them that today, as a result of "slumbering at the ballot box last year," the American people have a greater job on their hands than ever before. "For two years since the war, reaction has been on the march in our country", said [REDACTED] Quoting Henry A. Wallace, that it is time to strike back, he said; "It is high time that we, together with all progressive forces in America, took the counter-offensive to see to it that the policies of Franklin Delano Roosevelt are reinvoked,"

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After [REDACTED] of the New York Slav Congress, and National Financial Secretary, reported the Finance Committee's decision to undertake a campaign to raise \$120,000, the committee members took the floor to pledge fulfillment of the quota assigned to them. Among those supporting the program were: [REDACTED] of the Slovenian National Benefit Society; [REDACTED] of the Slovene National Council; [REDACTED] of the ASC of Cleveland; [REDACTED] of the American Russian Fraternal Union.

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[redacted] of the American Russian Fraternal Union;
Hon. Stanley Nowak, President of the Michigan Slav Congress; [redacted]
[redacted] of Western Pennsylvania; [redacted]
[redacted] of the ASC of Connecticut; [redacted] of the
ASC of Scranton; Fred Gerlach, President of the ASC Youth Council.

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The Hon. Stanley Nowak, Senator in the Michigan State Legislature, and President of the Michigan Slav Congress said; "We Slavic Americans did our utmost to defeat Nazi Germany, Fascist Italy and Imperialist Japan under the banner of the American Slav Congress, which was organized for that purpose. Today we are at the crossroads in our own country. In 1948 we must decide if we are to be submerged by reaction, which can only lead to fascism, or not. Our people must be rallied today as they were during the crucial war years."

Stating that the Michigan Slav Congress is highly respected in the Midwest as one of the most effective groups there, [redacted]
[redacted] in that area, urged the use of language radio hours and extensive use of the Slavic press to publicize the Fighting Fund for 1948.

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[redacted] who held a Captaincy during the war, now [redacted]
[redacted] of the Western Pennsylvania Congress, described the program for the next three months in Pittsburgh. "We are going to take each of these affairs and relate it to our Fighting Fund drive." That is what each State and City Committee should do.

Fred Gerlach reported on the activities of the Slavic American Youth Council and stressed the need to coordinate youth activities on a nation-wide scale. One of the two delegates sent by the Council to the World Youth Festival in Prague, [redacted] gave an account of her experiences there. Present at the Festival were 60,000 young people from all parts of the world. "We grew to love each other and to understand each other's problems," said [redacted]

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The Executive Secretary's report was devoted to an analysis of the U. S. foreign policy under the Truman Doctrine and the Marshall Plan, in their detrimental effects on the building of peace. The report stressed the trends in domestic policy as a menace to the American people, evidenced in undermining hard-won rights of labor and skyrocketing of prices. The President's loyalty order and increasing discrimination against national groups, particularly those of Slav origin, were pointed out as further evidences of the rise of reaction.

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Personal Notes:

and Tony Minerich are in New York -- They will return on Monday -- the purpose of their visit I donot know.

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Elizabeth Gurley Flynn will speak at th Cush banquet -- Foster will not attend.

American Committee ~~for Foreign~~ for protection of Foreign Born:

I understand that several delegates are going to the convention in Cleveland on Oct.25th and 26th. I heard Abner Green asked Matt to get there early so they can get together on committees arrangements. I also understand that Matt wrote to his Sloven e friends there and is arranging a meeting with them for Saturday night.

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A report: Re: Roy Hudson, Steve Nelson and Matt Cvetic.

On Wednesday October 14th., 1947 I observed Roy Hudson and Matt Cvetic going into the YMCA on the corner of Wood St. and Third Ave. around 1:00 P.M. They both went into the dining room of the YMCA and sitting at the next table I overheard the following conversation:

According to the conversation Matt Cvetic just returned from New York City and gave to Roy Hudson a detailed report of the National Committee meeting of the American Slav Congress, the Pepper Banquet which was sponsored by the American Slav Congress and also gave Roy Hudson a detailed report of a meeting he had with Steve Nelson which dealt in addition to work in the Slav Congress and the Slovene movement the personal status of one [redacted]

[redacted] of the American Slav Congress in Western Pennsylvania.. According to Matt, he met with Steve in New York and Steve proposed that efforts be made to get [redacted] into the Communist Party. Steve said that [redacted] party status should not be known to anyone in Pittsburgh but Roy Hudson and Matt Cvetic and that if anyone asks [redacted]

to join the party [redacted] should be advised to give them some kind of any excuse -- blame his family or put them off -- Matt also told Roy that Steve asked Matt to tell Roy when he came to Pittsburgh that they should be very careful ~~be~~ about making contacts with [redacted]

[redacted] and that by no means should they call him on the phone from the party office. Further Steve proposed that [redacted] meet with no one but Roy Hudson. ~~in~~ This according to Matt was for security reasons. According to Matt, Steve Nelson also said that [redacted]

can be assigned to some professional club in Pittsburgh, if such a club is existing where extraordinary precautions are taken to protect

the members. (I was further able to establish that a member such as [] does not have to be a card-carrying member, does not have to pay dues, but makes periodic contributions to the party).

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Roy Hudson did not agree with Steve's proposition that [] be this type of a member and felt that [] should be a regular ~~member~~ member -- He mumbled something about "We know better than Steve about what should be done around here". Matt's answer to this was "I more or less agree with Steve because I see merit in Steve's proposal regarding []

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This completed this session and they left around 2:00 P.M.

They parted at Wood & Diamond Streets.

NOTE*****

I understand that [] Roy Hudson, [] and Matt Cvetic will get together at the Studio on Wood St. at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday October 20th. for the purpose of discussing ~~office~~ Slav Congress work.

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TO : SAC

DATE: October 20, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED OCTOBER 4 and 17, 1947

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Said reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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National Commission of Western Penna.

Meeting at 1916 East St. N.S.

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✓ The Nationality Commission of the Communist Party of Western Penna. held a meeting on Thursday October 16th at 1916 East St. at 7:30 P.M.

The following members of the Communist Party were present:

Roy Hudson, District Chairman

[redacted]

Abner Green, Exec. Secy. American Comm for Prot of Foreign Born

[redacted] IWO
[redacted] IWO

[redacted] Narodni Glasnik

Matt Cvetic, Amer. Slav Congress

[redacted], Slobodna Rec
Slobodna Rec.
Ludovy Dennik,
Ludovy Dennik

[redacted] Ludovy Dennik

And two other comrades --

The agenda:

1. A report on the CFU convention by [redacted]
2. A report on the National Committee meeting and also local activities of the Amer. Slav Congress, Matt Cvetic
3. Take up the new ABC organization (Americans Battling Communism).
4. Elections.
5. Good and Welfare.

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On the first point, the CFU Convention Leo Fisher gave a report of the activities surrounding the CFU Convention both on the part of the Progressives and also the Reactionaries.

At present they are busy, according to [] getting members of the CFU to send letters, resolutions etc to the CFU Office for support of the progressives and the candidates which were elected. He especially dealt with the reactionary group and mentioned that it was well organized and that it was helped by the Politicians and also by the House Un-American Committee and others including []

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Generally there was agreement that the convention was successful but that much need be ~~done~~ done at present to strengthen our forces in the CFU.

On the American Slav Congress point 2. Matt Cvetic gave a report on the National Committee meeting and the program adopted at this meeting. He mentioned that a Youth Program, Finance Program was adopted and that it was proposed that local conferences be held in the various cities in the Spring and that a National Convention be held in September in Chicago (City not finally agreed upon). He also dealt with the local Slav Congress situation and a discussion around the releases appearing in today's ~~newspapers~~ newspapers was held.

On point 3 the new ABC organization this was covered in Point 2 --

On the elections Roy Hudson stressed the importance of the Slavs participating in the elections and agreed that it was alright for the Slavs to endorse Judge [] But he also brought out that

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[] was the real issue in this election and that ~~this~~ the Slav Congress must support [] A committee of Roy and Matt was set up to write a statement of Policy and the position of the Slav Congress on the Elections and the candidates. This will be a statement of policy based on the issues. b6
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On the Wallace Meeting Roy Hudson suggested that Slav organizations send greetings to Wallace at this meeting - November 10th.

[] speech came in for a lot of hell from Hudson and wherever possible it was suggested by Roy that this speech be used as the focal point of attack against the reactionaries. He also suggested letters of commendation to the Post-Gazette for their courageous stand on this [] speech. b6
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Under the final point ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ which dealt with the Pat Cush Banquet Roy insisted that every newspaper be represented in the Program Book and that they consider taking tables at the Banquet.. The Croatians already took space but the Slovaks and Serbians both said they were in bad circumstances financially. Roy said they must be represented in the book -- and said if necessary they could take up a collection.

~~XXXXXX~~ Roy raised the question of the fact that some of the language press comrades are not active in Clubs nor do they belong to any clubs. He warned them that they better get over to the City Office and get straightened out or first thing they know they will no longer be members of the Communist Party.

Abner Green gave a report on the Conference of the Amer. Comm for Prot. of Foreign Born which is scheduled for Oct. 25th and 26th and asked that all members try to get delegates to this conference which is scheduled in Cleveland.

This about concluded the business of the evening.

FEDERATED PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA

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At the board meeting of SANS in Chicago on Saturday September 27th., 1947, a [] an officer of the Amer.Comm. for Reconstruction in Yugoslavia brought a medical doctor by the name of [] to the meeting for the purpose of addressing the board members on the needs in Yugoslavia. The doctor's name is recorded in the minutes. However [] said ~~he spent~~ the doctor spent 9 months here and will be here for 2 more months.

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The group adjourned for lunch at 1:00 P.M. ~~and~~ to a restaurant located next door to the office bldg of SANS.

The following members of the board were present at this lunch in addition to []

[] Matt Cvetich, []
[] and one or two others

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At the head of the table [] Matt Cvetich and [] were discussing the political situation. The talk got around to Trade Unions. In the discussion [] mentioned that there were some 10,000,000 trade unionists in this country. In commenting on this [] says "YES? THERE MAY BE 10,000,000 TRADE UNIONISTS HERE IN THIS COUNTRY BUT IF IT CAME TO A WAR HOW MANY OF THEM WOULD BE OVER IN EUROPE FIGHTING US AND HOW MANY COULD WE DEPEND ON TO STAY HERE AND FIGHT THE REAL ENEMY."

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TO : SAC

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FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

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Communist Party of Western Wenna.

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Miscellaneous

[] is now working for a 'Canned Goods' Firm. The firm used to be a co-operative of somekind according to [] The can of vegetables she was carrying around with her had the brand name 'Sexton' on it. She said ~~her work~~ her work with this firm will take her to Detroit for 3 weeks. One of the owners of the company is supposed to be blind. b6 b7C

[] is now either [] and is working very closely with [] has been transferred to the East End Club. b6 b7C

A meeting of the staff was held this morning in ~~the~~ the party office- those attending including [] Roy Hudson, Dave Grant and [] At the end of the meeting Matt Cvetick who is working on the Cush Banquet came in and gave a report. b6 b7C

[] has been off from work Monday and Tuesday because of illness. Rundown.

American Slav Congress of W.Pa.

Communist Party Policy Meeting.

[] 10-21-47

Roy Hudson, [] Matt Svetick and [] met in the Studio on Wood St. on Tuesday afternoon October 21st at 1:30 P.M. to discuss the Slav Congress, its policies, problems and future work.

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[] and Matt gave comprehensive reports of the work up to now and also of the ~~future~~ ^{Slav} financial problems of the Congress. They dealt with last Friday's 'forum on citizenship' and raised certain problems dealing with the organizational problems of the congress.

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[] reported he was busy working on the Script for Sunday's Radio Program on KQV and also mentioned that [] author of Soviet Conspiracy and [] from Yugoslavia would be on the program. "America the Beautiful" will be the theme song of the program which will start at 1:30 P.M. and continue for 15 minutes.

Matt in his remarks dealt with the financial problems of the congress and made a tentative proposal that perhaps he Matt should handle the []-Adamic meeting on a fulltime basis in as much as it is a full time job and [] will be busy on the Radio program. Matt said the maximum political and financial success of the []-Adamic meeting must be insured and he felt that this was the only way it could be done. He warned against another disastrous turnout as happened at last Friday night's meeting because of inadequate preparations.

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Roy Hudson blamed the ~~falling~~ poor turnout of the meeting last Friday night on incorrect work. He suggested that since many problems

will have to be discussed at Thursday night's Executive meeting of the Slav Congress that others should be called in to discuss them so he called [] on the phone and asked if he would be available for a meeting tomorrow afternoon at 4:00 P.M. (Wednesday). Specifically these problems are; [] of the W.P.A. Committee -- [] having voiced desire to resign as [] this coming Friday. Finances and organizational problems. Roy Hudson further suggested that the meeting on 'Religion in Yugoslavia' scheduled for November 14th be cancelled -- All acquiesced in this. Further he proposed that the Slav Congress may have to adopt the same policy on the Elections as the PAC. Certainly they must ~~have~~ come out with a statement of policy and this should be along the lines of PAC. He was concerned about the Congress endorsing any candidates lest this backfires.

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[] felt that [] should not be on the initial Radio program inasmuch as he had been recently attacked in the newspaper and this might give the new ABC (Americans Battling Communism) Committee a chance to attack the Congress on the basis of 'This is the way the American Communists [] are working with Foreign Governments []'. All agreed that perhaps it would be best that [] does not appear on the broadcast.

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Here the meeting adjourned until tomorrow at 4:00 P.M. with no conclusions.

FIGHTING FUND FOR 1948

(Quotas by States)

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Arizona	\$ 500.
California	10,000.
Colorado	500.
Connecticut	6,000.
Illinois	10,000.
Indiana	1,500.
Kansas	500.
Maryland	1,000.
Massachusetts	1,000.
Michigan	12,000.
Minnesota	2,000.
Missouri	5,000.
Nebraska	500.
New Jersey	3,000.
New York	20,000.
Pennsylvania	
Western Pa.	15,000.
Philadelphia	3,000.
Scranton	1,000.
Ohio	8,000.
Oregon	500.
Rhode Island	500.
Washington	1,000.
West Virginia	500.
Wisconsin	5,000.
Other States	2,000.
Miscellaneous Sources	<u>10,000.</u>

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AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF WESTERN PENNA

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING & MISCELLANEOUS DATA.

The Executive Committee of the American Slav Congress met in the Fort Pitt Hotel on Thursday Evening Oct. 23rd., 1947 at 8:30 P.M. with the following present:

Matt Cvetic, Chairman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Bartl

[REDACTED]

Member

National Committee,

[REDACTED]

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The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

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| 1. Wallace Meeting, | 2. Elections, | 3. ABC (American Comm. Battling Communism) |
| 4. Report from [REDACTED] | | 5. Budget Committee |
| 6. Radio Program | | 7. [REDACTED] - Adamic Meeting. |

On the Wallace Meeting [REDACTED] reported that a total of 1,000 tickets have been distributed through the Slav Congress. He appealed to the members that all tickets be paid for by October 31st.

On Elections he had a prepared statement dealing with the elections. The statement ~~based~~ follows closely the statement as issued by the PAC except it brings in the SLAV Angle. On the endorsement of

UNITED NATIONS BREAKUP ON THE AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICIES. HE MENTIONED that Leo Krzycki couldn't be in Pittsburgh because his wife was ill. He said something about her having trouble with her leg. He said Leo went on to Milwaukee. He also said that the chairman and secretaries of Pittsburgh, Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland and New York would meet in Cleveland on Sunday evening to work out the plans for the Fighting Fund drive .

Next ~~xxxxx~~ [redacted] proposed that a budget committee be set up which would be responsible for raising the finances to pay for the functioning of the district office of the Slav Congress. On this committee were placed

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[redacted] and one or two others. It will meet next week.

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~~Next xxxxxxxx that this xxxxxxxx~~ [redacted] also asked that this committee be empowered to employ someone full time to work on the

[redacted]-Adamic meeting.

The discussion on the [redacted]-Adamic meeting was postponed until the next meeting.

American Slav Congress of Western Penna.

Radio Hour

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Sitting at a booth in Tambellini's I overheard a conversation between Roy Hudson, [redacted] Matt Cvetic and [redacted] b6 b7C
It dealt with a Radio Hour which the Slav Congress locally is getting ready for Sunday October 26th.

[redacted] who did most of the talking said that he was called on the phone by Radio Station KQV and they wanted to see him to discuss the script which he wrote for the program on Sunday's Radio Hour which was scheduled for KQV. [redacted] said he went there and met with [redacted] Mr. Murray and others and they told him that there were contraversial statements in the script and also that there was some misunderstanding as the Radio Station was under the imporession that the program was to be a cultural program. The result of this session was that KQV let [redacted] know that they would not accept the program of the American Slav Congress. b6 b7C

[redacted] then proceeded to arrange for the program over Station WLOA the Braddock Radio Station

Roy Hudson then said that we must fight this thing on the Freedom of the Air issue -- for the present he felt that releases should go to the newspaper and that we can get together and work out the next step. Matt, [redacted] and Roy were all of the opinion that suit must be instituted against the KQV Broaucasting station. It was also decided that an emergency meeting of the Executive Committee will be called next week. Copies of the ~~controversial script will be~~ b6 b7C

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There is enclosed one mimeographed copy of the minutes of the American Slav Congress National Committee Meeting held on October 11 and 12, 1947, at the Pennsylvania Hotel, New York City, N. Y.

The above was furnished to this office by Confidential Informant C-113 under date of October 23, 1947.

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REPORT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113, PITTSBURGH, ON MEETING OF THE NATIONAL
COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN - SLAV CONGRESS HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM #2, HOTEL
PENNSYLVANIA, NEW YORK CITY

Session of October 12, 1947

The Financial Committee assembled at 8:30 a.m. on this date and held a discussion until approximately ten a.m. at which time the regular meeting of the National Committee commenced and remained in continuous session until 2:35 p.m.

Present at the Financial Committee meeting were the following:

ZLATKO BALOKOVIC;

[redacted]

[redacted] from the ASC of Cleveland;

[redacted] of the ASC of Western Pennsylvania;

[redacted] from Cleveland;

[redacted] from Chicago.

At this Financial Committee Session it was proposed and decided to set up a "Fighting Fund For 1948" of \$120,000. The purposes of the fund were stated to be "to fight for people's progress and security; to fight against war, against rebuilding of Germany, and for economic security". Of the funds raised in the field 50% is to be for the National Office and 50% is to be used in the field where the money was raised. As partially recalled by informant, the allocation of the quotas was determined as follows:

Minnesota	\$ 2,000
California	10,000
Chicago	5,000
St. Louis	5,000
Detroit	8,000
Pittsburgh	15,000
Connecticut	3,000
New York	20,000
Cleveland	-----
Miscellaneous	10,000

At the regular meeting of the National Committee on this date it was decided that of the four people on the National Office payroll of the ASC at

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least two should go out into the field to help with organizational work and in the raising of funds; during one month each organization should put on a special drive to raise funds for the ASC; that leaders of fraternal organizations be solicited for their help; that all progressive newspapers be contacted and requested to carry articles to publicize the drive; that persons like BALOKOVIC and [] and other leaders should be asked to go out in the field.

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Informant stated that all expenses including the cost of publishing the "Slavic American" are to be defrayed from the so-called "Fighting Fund For 1948".

[] managing editor of the Slavic American, reported on that magazine stating that she started to work on its publication [] She urged support for it.

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[] reported on the Youth Festival which she attended in Prague during the late summer of 1947 and which according to her was attended by "progressive youth from all over the world". She asserted that the young people of other countries are far ahead of American youth in social thinking and that efforts should be made to improve American youth in this respect.

(It may be noted that according to the informant [] expenses - \$1500, incurred in attending the mentioned youth festival, were paid by the Youth Section of the ASC; that the expenses of the other ASC delegate, [] were paid by the IWO and that [] according to his information, is presently in the Ukrain.)

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FRED GERLACH, President of the Slavic Youth Council of the ASC, gave a report on youth work. He stated that in greater New York there is one individual employed full time on youth work whose salary is derived from three sources: 1/3 paid by the National Office of the ASC; 1/3 paid by the ASC of New York; and 1/3 paid by the Youth Committee itself.

At this session it was proposed and accepted that as soon as possible a full time youth organizer be put on the payroll of the National Office of the ASC; that of all funds raised by the ASC 5% be turned over for youth work; that two persons from the Youth Session be added to the Resident Board of the ASC; that as soon as possible a meeting should be called of all youth leaders from key cities in order to work out a youth program and that a youth conference be called in the spring of 1948.

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Informant stated that at this session [] read five resolutions by title only and that these resolutions were adopted in blanket form without detailed explanation or debate.

The informant stated that obviously these resolutions were presented in this manner to enable the officers to railroad them through the meeting. As

recalled by him the resolutions pertained to the Taft-Hartley Law, against rebuilding Germany, and discontinuance of the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The National Committee decided to call local conferences in key cities next spring. The tentative date of the next congress of the ASC was set for September, 1948 in Chicago.

It was decided that on the occasion of the 100 anniversary of the first Slav Congress held in Prague in 1848 appropriate celebrations were planned for the fall of 1948 in Prague to which it is expected to elect ASC delegates.

REPORT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113, PITTSBURGH, ON MEETING OF THE NATIONAL
COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN - SLAV CONGRESS HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM #2, HOTEL
PENNSYLVANIA, NEW YORK CITY

Morning Session
October 11, 1947
10:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

About fifty persons present; ZLATKO BALOKOVIC, Vice President of the American Slav Congress, Chairman. [redacted] of the ASC, gave the main political report followed by a short report by LEO KRZYCKI, President of the ASC. Michigan State Senator STANLEY NOWAK, President of the Michigan Chapter of the ASC, reported for Michigan. [redacted] member of the National Committee, gave a report for Detroit.

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[redacted] read a 25 page prepared report which almost in its entirety dealt with the international situation. He sharply criticized the Truman Doctrine, Marshall Plan, and the government's loyalty program. He asserted that the main task of the ASC is to fight against these measures as well as the Taft - Hartley Law stressing the necessity of "Slav unity and cooperation with other Slav forces." [redacted] also made some remarks about some alleged "Red baiting".

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Informant pointed out that [redacted] speech marked a change in approach because contrary to previous policy the international situation was accorded more attention than domestic issues. [redacted] spoke for about one and a half hours. Informant stated that copies of his address probably will be later distributed to the various local branches of the ASC.

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In the course of this session informant ascertained that [redacted] had a copy of the speech which was to be delivered by Senator CLAUDE PEPPER the following evening at the testimonial banquet in his honor and that [redacted] stated that he had read and approved of Senator PEPPER'S speech.

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LEO KRZYCKI spoke for about ten minutes. He likewise dealt with the international situation and "the attacks on Slav countries". He stated that the Taft - Hartley Law "is only an infinitesimal part of our fight". The informant observed that this also marked a departure from KRZYCKI'S recent speeches wherein he had principally discussed domestic issues.

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KRZYCKI and [redacted] both emphasized that the ASC has to assume leadership "in the fight against reaction". They pointed out that the PCA was made up mainly of professional and white collar workers who are not as well equipped as the ASC to carry on the struggle and that the CIO and AFL on the other hand representing labor do not understand the issues.

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ZIATKO BALOKOVIC referring in his remarks to the Marshall Plan and the Truman Doctrine observed that he was "disgusted with the attitude and action of our State Department toward the Slav countries."

STANLEY NOWAK in his remarks mentioned that he and two other "progressives" were nominated for city council in Detroit on a progressive slate. He credited ASC backing with being instrumental in his obtaining the nomination.

Among those present at this session were [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

New York, 7, New York

October 17, 1947

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

SAC, Pittsburgh

Re: MATTHEW CVETIC
CONFIDENTIAL NATIONAL
DEFENSE INFORMANT C-113

DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:
FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
DATE 05-16-2012

Dear Sir:

Confidential Informant C-113 of Pittsburgh arrived at New York City during the forenoon of October 10, 1947 to cover, in accordance with previous arrangements with the Bureau and the Pittsburgh Office, the National Committee meetings of the American Slav Congress held at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, on October 11 and 12, 1947 and a testimonial dinner during the evening of October 12th sponsored by the ASC in honor of Senator CLAUDE PEPPER, Democratic Senator from Florida.

The informant, who conducted himself in an intelligent and energetic manner, in addition to the aforementioned coverage made valuable contacts among Communist Party functionaries and leaders of Slavic groups in New York City prior to his return to Pittsburgh during the evening of October 13, 1947.

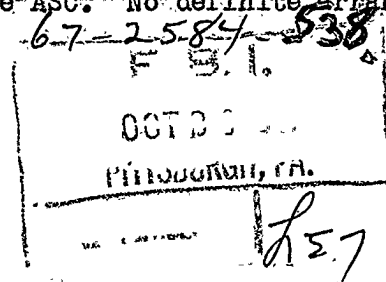
For the general information of the Pittsburgh Office there are being transmitted herewith copies of the memoranda pertaining to sessions of the National Committee of the ASC as reported by the informant.

Matters of specific interest to the New York Office as reported by informant are being incorporated in appropriate case files but are not being supplied to the Pittsburgh Office.

Informant stated that he had been invited to attend a meeting of ASC Functionaries at Cleveland on or about October 26, 1947 and that those present on this occasion are to include [redacted] of the ASC; [redacted] both of New York; [redacted] of the ASC of Western Pennsylvania; and [redacted] of Cleveland. This meeting is said to be for the purpose of discussing ASC finances.

[redacted] according to information received, had inquired of informant whether the ASC of Western Pennsylvania could arrange a meeting featuring [redacted] of the Youth Session of the ASC. No definite arrangements were made in this regard.

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Letter to SAC, Pittsburgh

October 17, 1947

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

For the further information of the Pittsburgh Office STEVE NELSON, Chairman of the National Groups Commission of the Communist Party, U.S.A., told informant that he will shortly meet with him in Pittsburgh inasmuch as he plans to go there on Croatian, Slovak, and Serbian matters.

It is suggested that the Cleveland Office arrange to cover the meetings of the ASC Convention which is scheduled to take place on or about October 26, 1947 at Cleveland. It is to be noted in this connection that the Pittsburgh Office may desire to make suitable arrangements to cover this meeting.

with C-113

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt
EDWARD SCHEIDT

Special Agent in Charge

rec'd 10-20-47
Enclosures (3)

2cc: Cleveland

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SAC, Cleveland

October 29, 1947

SAC, Pittsburgh

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION
OF FOREIGN BORN
INTERNAL SECURITY - c
Cleveland file #100-751

Confidential Informant C-113 who was in Cleveland on October 25-26, 1947 during the course of the National Conference for the Protection of Foreign Born held at the Hollenden Hotel in Cleveland, has furnished this office with the following enclosures obtained by him during the course of said conference:

1. One postcard printed and distributed by the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born, New York, N. Y., addressed to Hon. [redacted] U. S. Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Philadelphia. This card protests the pending deportation proceedings against [redacted] b6 b7C
2. One copy of the October, 1947 issue of "The Lamp", monthly publication of the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born.
3. One mimeographed copy of the program of the National Conference for the Protection of Foreign Born.
4. One mimeographed copy of a leaflet entitled "Report on Cases" which was distributed at the above conference.
5. One mimeographed copy of a leaflet entitled "The Status of Mexican-Americans" which was distributed at the above conference.
6. One copy of a report by [redacted] Counsel, American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born. b6 b7C
7. One mimeographed copy of a memorandum dealing with immigration from the British West Indies.
8. One copy of a printed souvenir journal distributed at the above conference.

The above material is being furnished the Cleveland Office for its information and possible use in reports of this case.

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Enclosures (8)

67-2584-539

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
October 29, 1947

MEMO, SAC

RE: CNDI C-113

On October 23, 1947, Confidential Informant C-113 furnished the following information orally concerning the indicated organizations:

1. United Committee of South Slavic Americans.

The local committee of this organization has not held a meeting for several months nor has it planned any activities. For all intent and purposes the organization is not functioning and may be regarded as a "paper organization."

2. American Committee for Yugoslav Relief.

This organization has not met during the year 1947 and has planned no activity for the year. [redacted] continues as local chairman and informant as executive secretary of the organization. The Pittsburgh district headquarters of the ACYR has been closed for approximately one year.

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3. American Slav Congress

This organization may be considered as following the line promulgated at the All Slav Congress held in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, in 1946. The American Slav Congress was represented at Belgrade by duly elected delegates who approved all actions taken at the All Slav Congress. Upon their return to the U. S., such ASC delegates as [redacted] and ZLATKO BALOKOVICH made reports to the National Committee and local meetings of the ASC and toured the U. S. delivering speeches concerning the All Slav Congress meetings.

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In the main, the American Slav Congress is following out all recommendations made by the All Slav Congress in Belgrade, such as urging American friendship with all Slav countries, sharply criticizing the US State Department for its attitude towards Yugoslavia and Russia, and openly criticizing all individuals expressing anti-Communist views as war mongers.

JTM:EMG
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cc: 100-3674
100-7291
100-8968

OCT 30 1947
JAMES T. MOONEY, SA

67-2584-540

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Pittsburgh

"PERSONAL ATTENTION"

DATE: October 28, 1947

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: MATTHEW CVETIC
CNDI C-113
(Your file 67-2584)

Reurlet 10/16/47 advising that this informant incurred expenses over and above the \$100 authorized for his attendance at the National Committee meetings of the American Slav Congress in New York City on October 11 and 12, 1947. The additional expenses, however, resulted from a meeting by Cvetic with Steve Nelson and [redacted] and resulted in information of value.

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Authority is given to reimburse the informant in the additional amount of \$23.45 for extra expenses in connection with his attendance at the recent National Committee meeting of the American Slav Congress.

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*Approved
S. J. [unclear]
[unclear]*

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F. B. I.	
OCT 30 1947	
Pittsburgh, PA.	
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Pittsburgh, Pa.
July 31, 1947

MEMO, SAC

Re: COMMUNIST
SECURITY MATTER - C

[] informed by report dated July 15, 1947 that the Lawrenceville Communist Club held a regular meeting at [] on July 15, 1947 and the following were in attendance: []

[] LAF CVITIC and [] Tickets were distributed among the members for the District picnic of the CP to be held on Labor Day at Linden Grove Park, Castle Shannon, Pennsylvania. Each member present took two books.

[] reported on the District Conference and said it was poorly attended because of a mistake in the Party office when they failed to notify two-thirds of the members of the Party of the conference. [] pointed out that [] reported that Pittsburgh was lagging in its recruiting drive while places like Homestead and McKeesport were securing many new members. [] criticized the Lawrenceville Club for its lack of interest in securing new members and [] volunteered to go along with [] in securing new members and report at the next meeting.

[] reported that he had located three places to hold meetings but that each wanted \$15.00 per month rent. It was not determined how they could raise the money and it was decided to discuss it further at the next meeting.

[] also reported talking with Joe C. H. [] of the CIO, who said that pressure had been brought against [] by certain groups in Lawrenceville to stop his red baiting. He said Joe C. H. promised to lay off the Communists as long as the Communists do not chisel into the steel workers union as executives. He reported that a priest, reported to be connected with the Croatian Church in Millvale, also brought pressure on GENEY to stop his red baiting.

67-5584-542
THOMAS T. WILKINSON
SA

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67-2584

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: October 27, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED OCTOBER 26, 1947

Appropriate letters and memoranda have been dictated for files of organizations and individuals mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

67-2584-543
F. B. I.
OCT 27 1947
RECEIVED, C.A.
<i>JM</i>

American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born

10-26-47

Western Penna. Panel

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Cleveland Ohio

The Western Penna. Panel of this committee met Sunday morning Oct. 26th in the Hollenden Hotel, Room 868. Some of those attending this Panel session were:

Abner Green, Natl. Exec. Secy.

Arthur Bartl,

Matt Cvetic,



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Others were from the Farrell-Sharon Area.

At the meeting it was concluded that a committee be set up in the Sharon-Farrell District and also in Pittsburgh.

Art Bartl~~e~~ was asked to take temporary responsibility of calling a meeting ~~on~~ around November 19th for the purpose of organizing a local committee. He is to contact Abner Green ~~and find~~ and find out when he is available, and then call the meeting.

Of those from the local District three or four were placed on the Executive committee amongst them was Matt Cvetic who is with the Slav Congress here. That is the National Executive Committee.

A complete report of the sessions together with the elected officers and resolutions of the Conference will be mailed to the delegates.

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I overheard  and another person discussing a possible 'Stool Pigeon' in the crowd. The person they talked about was either a fellow by the name of 'Salway' or some such name or the fellow from the UE in the Sharon-Farrell Area who took the leadership of the Committee in that area. He is a husky fellow with light - wavy hair.

[redacted] had a calling card with Salway's name on it and it seems to me he was the person referred to. According to ~~them~~

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[redacted] and his friend this person was going around asking everybody their name and looking for information in general.

American Slav Congress

B/L 10-26-47

Finances

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[redacted] were in Cleveland, Ohio during the Conference of the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born Oct. 25th and 26th., 1947 for the purpose of meeting with the Slav Leaders to discuss the financial situation of the American Slav Congress --- National Office and also to push the sale of the new magazine the Slavic American. The meeting was held in the Hollendon Hotel

Subscriptions for the Slavic American were being taken at the conference.

After the afternoon session of the ACPFB was completed there was a meeting in the Ballroom on the 1st or Mezzanine floor of the Slav Leaders from Detroit, Chicago, Pittsburgh and Cleveland with [redacted]

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[redacted] Some 15 persons attended the meeting including [redacted] ~~(xxxxxxxxxx)~~ (spelling not certain) and [redacted] from Cleveland, Cvetic from Pittsburgh [redacted] [redacted] from Chicago and nationality leaders from Detroit unknown to me -- and others from Cleveland, Ohio also unknown to me. There was one person with a graying moustache who according to the conversations must have been in prison for the last two years for some reason or other.

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On the business end of the meeting [redacted] stressed the importance of raising finances to carry on the work of the Congress. He proposed that lists be utilized to collect money and also ~~proposed the~~

proposed the use of Coupon Books (he had a sample which was used by a Trade Union in New York City) In addition he also proposed the ~~possibility~~ the idea of organizing mass activities -- He said that such persons as Krzycki, Balokovic, [] Himself and others would take the road on tour for the Congress. He mentioned that any city which was to use Krzycki would have to get him before Jan. 15th as after that date he would be on the West Coast for two or three weeks for Slav Congress. b6
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[] in dealing with the Financial situation was very critical and pessimistic -- especially did he mention the fact that the Congress raised only 21,000 this year of a 60,000 quota and also mentioned that some cities especially those like Pittsburgh even tho' they are doing good work ~~have~~ not only haven't been able to contribute to the support of the national office but have not been able to pay back the \$500 they borrowed last December. In dealing with Detroit he also mentioned that they are organizing at present an affair for Slav Congress and also went into detail on ~~the~~ some of the poor financing efforts in that city where one large ~~for~~ affair was organized which barely covered expenses. -- Other suggestions proposed by [] on financing were the possibilities of organizing a car raffle or a bazaar -- he proposed that committees be setup in each district to push the sale of the magazine -- In this [] brought out that initial copies of the magazine cost \$1.06 each to print and then [] mentioned that it might be necessary to raise the subscription price to \$2.00 and single copies to .50¢ . b6
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[] also mentioned that we have at present over 4000 subscriptions and that we must get this up to at least 20,000 if we b6
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want to continue the publishing of the magazine.

[] also stressed the importance of working in national panels and mentioned that the Ukrainians (and one other panel) have agreed to raise \$15,000 for Slav Congress national office. --

Getting the co-operation and help of the nationality leaders was also stressed by []

Discussed at length was the problems of the Cleveland Committee and here a person by the name of [] who speaks pretty good ~~broken~~ English with an accent is in charge of the Slavic American Magazine. In this discussion it was brought out that at a recent luncheon for the "Slavic American" Magazine in Cleveland some \$700 was raised. Of this amount \$400.00 was contributed by the Cleveland Committee of the Slav Congress. Some 20 persons or so attended this luncheon.

[] brought mentioned the importance of getting leading Americans, of ~~the~~ other than Slav Descent to participate in such a luncheon and then to get contributions from them. Politicians, Professional People and others could be invited to such luncheons, and contributions ranging from \$25.00 up got be raised from them.

Of those present [] and this fellow [] seem to be active in the Cleveland Committee. There are others too but these are the only names I could pick up.

This concluded the discussion on finances. [] said he would visit Akron, Youngstown and Warren this week (Oct. 26th) and [] said he would stop in Pittsburgh on his way to New York.

SAC, New York

November 1, 1947

SAC, Pittsburgh

AMERICAN SLAY CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
New York file #100-26200

There is enclosed herewith for your information and possible use in future reporting of the above case, one mimeographed copy of excerpts from a report delivered by [redacted] at the A.S.C. National Committee meeting held in New York City on October 11, 1947.

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This material was furnished to this office by Confidential Informant C-118 on October 31, 1947.

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cc: 67-2584 J

67-2584-544

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH
FROM : JAD DIRECTOR, FBI
SUBJECT: MATHEW CVETIC
CNDI - C-113

DATE: October 30, 1947

Reference is made to your letter of June 11, 1947, in which you set forth that Cvetic had not heard anything further from the Yugoslavian Consul, [redacted] who offered employment for Cvetic at the Yugoslavian Consulate in New York City.

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For your information [redacted] the Social Attache at the New York Yugoslavian Consulate has been recalled to Yugoslavia as a result of his affair with [redacted] of the United Committee of South Slavic Americans, which resulted in her pregnancy and the attempted suicide of [redacted] has been forced to resign from her position with the United Committee of South Slavic Americans.

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In view of [redacted] recall and [redacted] resignation, there will undoubtedly be a reorganization in Yugoslavian Communist activities in the New York area, and there would appear to be an excellent opportunity for Cvetic to become active in this regard which would greatly implement our coverage of Yugoslavian Communist and Intelligence activities. In the event that Cvetic does not deem it desirable to approach Unkovich concerning this, it is believed that careful consideration should be given as to other methods of increasing his activity in this field. It would appear to be entirely possible that this might be done through Steve Nelson who previously suggested that Cvetic contact [redacted] at the Yugoslavian Embassy in Washington, D. C.

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It is desired that in the near future you advise the Bureau as to what steps you have taken concerning the above.

CC - New York
Washington Field

67-2584-545
NOV - 3 1947
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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
November 7, 1947

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

Re: MATTHEW CVETIC
CONFIDENTIAL NATIONAL DEFENSE
INFORMANT C-113

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of October 30, 1947.

On November 3, 1947, the above informant advised that he has heard nothing further from [redacted] Yugoslav Consul at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, regarding a position for him (Informant) in the Yugoslav Consulate at New York City, New York. The Informant does not deem it advisable to approach [redacted] regarding said position. He stated frankly that due to the lapse of time since the position was offered, he is of the opinion that his chances of securing same are slim.

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Informant, however, will continue to keep this matter in mind. He believes that his best approach toward a more important position with regard to Yugoslav activities would be through STEVE NELSON or [redacted] in New York City. Informant cautioned, however, that such an entree into Yugoslav intelligence matters could not be accomplished over night, but would require a relatively long period of time.

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Informant is dubious that his value to the Bureau could be enhanced through attempts to assume a position of importance in the national offices of the United Committee of South Slavic Americans or the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief, Inc., since it is his opinion that these organizations will disintegrate in 1948.

It is noted that CVETIC is an extremely cautious individual in his dealings with the Communist Party and its front groups. He is, therefore, hesitant about making direct attempts to secure a position

67-2584-546

Pittsburgh to Bureau
November 7, 1947

Re: MATTHEW CVETIC
OLDF C-113

which would place him close to either the Yugoslav Consulate in New York City, or the Yugoslav Embassy in Washington, D. C., for fear that such action might place him under suspicion and lead to his eventual disclosure.

Very truly yours,

F. A. FLETCHER *LEF*
Special Agent in Charge

cc: New York
Washington Field

JTM:cc *[initials]*
67-2584

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: October 31, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

There is attached hereto the following material submitted by Confidential Informant C-113 under date of 10-31-47:

1. Letter, 10-24-47, with enclosure of ASC Broadcast over WLOA on 10-26-47 in connection with "Keep America Free" program.
2. Letter, 10-28-47, containing ASC statement re "Americans Battling Communism".
3. Letter, 10-29-47, containing ASC statement on 1947 elections.
4. Letter, 10-30-47, re ASC sponsored "Peoples Festival" on 12-5-47.
5. New release, 11-3-47, re Henry Wallace's visit to Pittsburgh on 11-10-47.

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cc: 67-2584

JTM:

67-2584-547

OCT 31 1947

Pittsburgh, Pa.



Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: October 31, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

The attached CRC Press release and Petition urging that the House Un-American Activities Committee be abolished were made available to this office by Confidential Informant C-113 under dates of 10-27 and 10-31-47.

100-8849

cc: 67-2584

JTM:

67-2584-548
F. B. I.
OCT 31 1947
Pittsburgh, PA.
<i>JTM</i>

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: November 4, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED NOVEMBER 2, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

67-2584-549
F. B. I.
NOV 4 1947
PHILADELPHIA, PA.
<i>[Signature]</i>

Communist Party of Western Penna.

Pat Kush Banquet.

[redacted] 11/2/47

Some 204 persons attended the Pat Kush 80th Brithday Banquet at the Fort Pitt Hotel on Friday evening October 71st. Ma t Cvetic seemed to be in charge of the arrangements for the banquet together with [redacted] b6 b7C
A collection taken at the banquet total \$373.98 and some \$600 was raised in a program book which was handled by Cvetic.

Visitors from Youngstown (Mahoning Valley) and the Philadelphia District were here for the banquet.

Outstanding persons and members attending the banquet were:

Roy Hudson,

Phil Bart,

[redacted] Pat Kush & Relatives,

[redacted] from Mahoning Valley

Bill Albertson

Art & Mrs. Bartl

~~xxxxxx~~

[redacted] (Amer. Slav Printing Co.)

And many others --

The surprise part of the attenance was the number of negroes present some 50 or 60 neggoes were there.

Especially inflammatory remarks were made by [redacted]

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At the door [] was in charge of tickets and []

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[] and Matt Cvetic took care of the door.

The program was opened by the singing of the Star Spangled Banner and closed with mass singing of the 'Internationale!

The speeches were the usual ('tripe' --

(There was a meeting on Saturday morning of the leaders of the Philadelphia and the Pittsburgh district at the Studio.)

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn made the main speech of the evening.

Most of the visitors stayed over on Saturday and one of them a correspondent for the Daily Worker got a story from Matt Cvetic on the ABC committee which is to appear shortly in the Worker.

A program is enclosed

American Slav Congress of Western Penna.

[redacted] 11/2/47

Executive Committee

A meeting of a Budget Committee was held in the office of the Croatian Council on the 6th Floor in the Bakewell Bldg. on Thursday evening October 30th at 8:00 P.M. with the following present:

[redacted] Matt Cvetic

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The meeting discussed the financial situation of the local Committee of the Slav Congress. [redacted] proposed a budget of approximately \$1,000 so that a personnel of two organizers and one stenographer could be kept steady at work. Other proposals in the budget included such items as radio program, rent, telephone and necessary office expenses.

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[redacted] and others spoke against increasing the budget and suggested that volunteer organizers could be put to work. He suggested that he himself could go to Monessen and other towns and organize Slav Congress Committee and that others could do likewise.

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No conclusion was reached on the budget except it was brought out in discussion that Matt Cvetic who is vice President will work full time on the [redacted] -Adamic Meeting for the Slav Congress. This will include the sale and distribution of tickets; mapping out the program and otherwise organizing the collection and arranging the entire setup.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: November 6, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY * C

The attached letter and leaflet re the ASC sponsored "Peoples Festival" to be held in Pittsburgh on 12-5-47 was furnished to the writer by Confidential Informant C-113 on 11-6-47.

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cc: 67-2584

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67-2584-550
F. B. I.
NOV 6 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
<i>JTM</i>

Expenses incurred on trip to New York City -- October 9th to 14th inclusive: [redacted] 10-14-47

Transportation to and from New York City	\$46.50	
Room for 4 days	24.00	
5% Tax on Room	1.20	
Taxi, Bus & Subway Transportation -- (Taxi transportation necessary on several occasions to make time)	8.50	
Meals for 4 days	\$14.00	
Phone & Telegraph	1.50	
Picture of Slav Congress Banquet at Pa. Hotel	1.50	
Club Dubronik Dance * Yugoslav Home, NYC	1.00	
Moving Pictures Yugoslav Home, NYC	1.00	
*Entertainment Expenses incurred at the Yugoslav Club on Oct. 11th & 12th	5.00	
<i>Ann. Slav Congress Banquet</i>	7.50	
**Entertainment Expenses -- at Penna. Hotel		
Liquor	11.75	\$115.95
		<u>7.50</u>
		123.45

Expenses incurred at Yugoslav Club included entertaining, Tony Minerich, [redacted] Members of the Slovene C.P. in New York City; [redacted] & Co. [redacted] and others.

Expenses incurred at Penna. Hotel included entertaining [redacted]

[redacted] Anthony Minerich, [redacted]

[redacted] and others.

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SAC, Cleveland

Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 7, 1947

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YUGOSLAV INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
Cleveland File No. 100-17617

Reurlet October 28, 1947.

Confidential Informant C-113 advises that the following Yugoslavs in the Cleveland Division territory are active in the Communist Party and in various Communist Party front organizations:



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In C-113's opinion, none of these individuals appear to be engaged in Yugoslav espionage.

The above informant has no knowledge of any contacts made by Yugoslav diplomatic personnel with individuals residing within your territory.

For your information, C-113 further advised that [redacted] Akron Attorney, has attended several Communist Party meetings and caucuses. Informant stated that although [redacted] may not be a card-carrying member of the Communist Party, it is his (informant's) opinion that [redacted] is in sympathy with Communist Party policies.

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C-113's observations regarding [redacted] are being brought to your attention inasmuch as the files of this office reflect that the Cleveland Division has, on occasion, contacted [redacted] for information regarding activities of foreign language groups.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: November 7, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: EMMETT PATRICK CUSH
SECURITY MATTER - C

On 11-3-47, Confidential Informant C-113 made available to the writer one copy of the program prepared by the Communist Party for the 80th Birthday Celebration held in honor of the above subject on Friday evening, October 31, 1947 at the Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa.

This copy of the above program is being placed in the exhibit section of instant file.

100-1196

cc: 67-2584

JTM:

67-2584-153
F. B. I.
NOV 7 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
<i>[Signature]</i>

Director, FBI

11-12-47

SAC, Pittsburgh

PROGRESSIVE CITIZENS OF AMERICA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Bureau File 100-340327

There is enclosed herewith one mimeographed copy of an address delivered by HENRY A. WALLACE, Editor of New Republic, at a mass rally held at Syria Mosque, Pittsburgh, Pa., on the evening of November 10, 1947 under sponsorship of the Pittsburgh chapter of the above organization.

This material was made available to this office by Confidential Informant C-113 under date of November 12, 1947.

JTH:mwd

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cc: 67-2534

67-2584-554

Director, FBI

11/10/47

SAC, Pittsburgh

SECOND CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S FRONT OF
YUGOSLAVIA.
DOMESTIC POLITICAL MATTERS

There is forwarded herewith, for the Bureau's information, a copy of the speech delivered by Marshall [redacted] at the Second Congress of the Peoples Front of Yugoslavia, September 27, 1947.

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This material was furnished to this office by Confidential Informant C-113 on November 7, 1947, having been sent to informant at the American Slav Congress Office, 1005 Berger Building, Pittsburgh, Pa. by the Yugoslav Embassy, Washington, D. C.

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cc-67-3534 ✓

Enclosure

67-4534-555

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: November 14, 1947

The attached news releases of the above captioned organization and Fighting Fund petition were furnished by Confidential Informant C-113 on November 13, 1947.

The above material is being filed in 100-3674.

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cc: 67-2584
JTM:

67-2584-556
F. B. I.
NOV 14 1947
PITTSBURGH, PA.
<i>JTM</i>

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Nov. 14, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

The attached letter and Program re ASC Fighting Fund Drive for 1948 was furnished by Confidential Informant C-113 on Nov. 13, 1947.

Same is being placed in instant file.

100-3674

cc: 67-2584

JTM:

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Nov. 14, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN
INTERNAL SECURITY * C

The attached announcement of an ACPFB meeting was furnished by
Confidential Informant C*113 under date of Nov. 13, 1947.

Same is being placed in instant file.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Nov. 12, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS
INTERNAL SECURITY -- C

The attached announcement of a CRC meeting was furnished by Confidential Informant C-113 under date of Nov. 13, 1947.

Same is being placed in instant file.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Nov. 14, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED NOVEMBER 12 and 13, 1947

Appropriate memoranda and letters have been dictated regarding the individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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FBI SEARCH, PA.
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ELIZABETH IRVIN (OR IRWIN) HIGH SCHOOL ✓

NEW YORK CITY,

BOB LEE

11-12-47

In answer to a telephone request from a [redacted] b6
and Matt Cvetic of the Slav Congress attended a dinner in the Norse b7C
Room of the Fort Pitt Hotel in Pittsburgh on Tuesday Evening, November
11th at 7:30 P.M. The purpose of their participation was to address
a group of 50 students of the Elizabeth Irvin High School on the
'Slavs' in Western Pennsylvania and the program of the Slav Congress.

In addition to [redacted] were b6
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in charge of the group. ~~which have been conducted~~ such an educational
~~work~~ nature are conducted annually by this school.

In addition to [redacted] Cvetic, [redacted] an b6
official of the Allegheny County Board of Assistance, Southeast Dist., b7C
a student (Negro) by the name of [redacted] and a young Croatian from
Ambridge were present to address the student (name and address of
Croatian from Ambridge will be submitted later if needed).

[redacted] his friends b6
thank, [redacted] who also attended the b7C
dinner for their part in ~~making~~ making the necessary arrangements for
them (the school) while they are in Pittsburgh.

The entire discussion dealt for the most part with political
economics -- local political conditions; recent political campaign;
the role of the negroes in the Slavs in Politics in W. Pa. etc.

From here the students will go to Shenandoah. ~~Yxxxxx~~ On Monday
November 10th they visited at Carnegie Steel in Homestead.

If you want any elucidation on this - ~~ask~~ let me know.

Communist Party of Western Penna.

~~Executive~~ City Council Meeting

Bob Lee 11/12 47

The regular meeting of the City Council of the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania was held at the Studio on November 12th at 8:00 P.M. with the following participating:

Bill Albertson,

[redacted]

Matt Cvetic,

[redacted]

Jim Dolsen,

[redacted]

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[redacted] gave a report on the special session of Congress -- Bill Albertson supplemented the report with a report of the AFL Convention and the CIO Convention and the positions they took on the various issues. The discussions on these reports were varied but the final conclusions were for continuous action on such things as the High Cost of Living in the different communities to be based on the program as carried out in the Northside Club.

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Criticism was raised on the conduct of the City Executive Committee in not releasing a report which was to be sent out two months ago on a certain matter (~~xxxxxx~~ possibly the [redacted] business).

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[redacted] in discussion later in the meeting made much of the

the former Asst. U.S. [] of last Saturday speech/on the West Coast which was given wide publicity in the Daily worker the past few days. They ~~inere~~ interpreted this speech (both Bill Albertson and []) as portending a series of 'Palmer Raids' and [] stressed the necessity of tightening up our Security and mentioned that we have become very 'sloppy' in this but the City Executive will soon meet with every club to discuss the question of Security. b6 b7C

Everyone was advised to read the Daily Worker about these articles and the national committee statement.

'MORE THAN USUAL CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED BY BOTH ALBERTSON AND [] ~~and they never with xxxxxxxx the~~ [] specifically said no matter what happens we must not get hysterical or panicky but maintain the necessary discipline. b6 b7C

[] ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT A DISTRICT CONFERENCE IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 13th and 14th. to hear a report ~~xxxxxx~~ of the National Committee meeting. All Executive committee members are urged to be present. b6 b7C

[] further announced that the ~~party~~ District Committee will take whatever steps necessary in the 'Rogey' matter. It was pointed out by Bill Albertson that this is being done by the React onaries so the people will forget about High Prices. b6 b7C

Another annoucnement was that William Z. Foster will be here the latter part of next Week and that he would address a meeting in McKeesport and one in Washington County while here. His health, [] said was not too good. b6 b7C

After the meeting Matt Cvetic distributed tickets for a [] and ~~Admic~~ Adamic meeting scheduled for Dec. 5th. I also heard him tell [] [] that the New York manager of [] called the office (of the b6 b7C

Slav Congress and told [] that they heard from two or three sources that the American Legion and others are going to try to disrupt the concert of [] which is scheduled for the Carnegie Music Hall for November 17th.

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~~Chxxy~~ Jim Dolsen also took the floor briefly at the end of the meeting to ~~xxxx~~ report that a Daily Worker Drive is in progress and it was proposed that a quota of 700 be accepted by the City. There is a Daily Worker Committee composed of Jim Dolsen, Bill Albertson, [] and one or two others.

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Also heard [] Ask matt cyetic about a newspaper report who was ~~xxxxxx~~ in the office of the Slav Congress. Matt Said, yes [] Washington correspondent of the Pittsburgh Press was in to find out about the local Congress.

[] reported on the meeting arranged by the YPCA at the Carnegie Music Hall in Oakland yesterday afternoon at which Wallace spoke. She said even tho' they make organizational mistakes, the meeting was a political success. She said the after-results were good in that many of the students became interested in the program of YPCA as a result of the meeting. [] ~~Then~~ was also instrumental in working at this meeting which was attended by []

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WALLACE TRIP TO PITTSBURGH

[REDACTED] 11/12/47

Henry Agard Wallace, former vice-president visited Pittsburgh for a political rally scheduled at the Syrian Mosque and sponsored by the Progressive Citizens Action Committee. The meeting held on the evening of November 10th was attended by some 4200 persons -- (HENRY AGARD WALLACE'S SPEECH SUBMITTED 11-11-47).

Much of the work for the meeting was done by the American Slav Congress of W.Pa. which sold some 800 tickets in advance for the meeting.

Outstanding in Wallaces speech was an effort to woo all the progressive and leftist elements -- he referred to the reactionaries in this country in his speech -- advocated the formation of a 'peace party' if necessary and also toward the end of his speech threatened to carry his fight 'underground' if compelled.

On Tuesday morning, November 11th., 1947 in his suite at the Schenley Hotel he met with the progressive elements of the CFU (Croatian Fraternal Union). He also met with [REDACTED] and Matt Cvetic of the American Slav Congress. While they were there [REDACTED] of PCA and a young person from Philadelphia who was introduced as the Secretary of the Philadelphia Dist. of PCA also were present. Henry Agard Wallace was interested in [REDACTED] and Matt Cvetic's viewpoints on the possibilities of organizing a Third Party Movement in Western Pennsylvania, when they felt it was best to start and also what if any participation and to what degree the Slavs would participate in such a movement. He also wanted to know generally the attitude of the Slav people in this ~~community~~, the Western Penna. section. [REDACTED] said that he thought the chances ~~was~~ of electing some 35 or so congress-

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man on a Third Party ticket were good. Henry Agard Wallace said that [] spoke like Maré-Antonio. In the discussion of candidates Wallace, [] Cvetic and [] all agreed where candidates were running for congress on the Democrat or Republican Ticket who were favorable to Wallace it would not be a good idea to run Third Party Candidates. Henry Agard Wallace then raised the question as to when it would be a good idea to announce the formation of a Third Party Ticket and a candidate (himself). Matt Cvetic suggested that January 15th would be the earliest date,, because at present it is too early, during the holidays it would not be effective and the earliest possible time should be around the 15th of January. [] said they felt they should announce it around the latter part of December.

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[] gave a rather detailed picture of the progressive strength in this district. Some detailed discussion on the character of the local PCA was held.

Matt Cvetic further proposed that open-air meetings be planned now for the summer months. He said even tho' it was necessary now to charge high prices for tickets to raise money -- later it will be important to get the masses and if we would get places like Forbes Field and get some good talent and Wallace to appear we could pack Forbes Field with some 30,000 people -- [] was impressed. ---

[] and Matt Cvetic also discussed with [] (after Wallace retired for a nap) the possibilities of Wallace coming to Pittsburgh for the Slav Congress Conference some time in March or April. [] took this under advisement and will let them know. At present he feels sure ~~we~~ Wallace will attend but didn't want to make any commitments until Wallace returns from the West Coast where he is scheduled to appear sometime in January.

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This concluded the salient parts of the discussion.

Leading members of the Communis Party attending the meeting ~~xxxx~~ at the Syrian Mosque were,

Roy Hudson, Bill Albertson,

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From my observations members of the Communist Party, Past Members, friends, sympathizers were out in full force for this meeting.

[redacted] 11/13/47

O. John Rogge Statement - Local Activities regarding.

Today, November 13th, 1947 several meetings and discussions were held regarding this statement (O. JOHN Rogge's) and plans of action to take regarding same. [redacted] and I believe

[redacted] were the persons who were consulted with and at least one of these meetings was attended by [redacted] of the American Slav Congress, [redacted] of the United Electrical Workers. Out of this particular meeting it was decided to send wires to Attorney General Thomas C. Clark and also to President Truman. (Copies of ASC Wires enclosed).

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Also discussed at these meetings were what course of action to take in case the raids predicted by O. John Rogge materialize.

Another meeting on strategy was held late at [redacted] office in the Park Bldg and this meeting was attended by [redacted]

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Enclosure:

[redacted] 11/12/47

November 8, 1947

Dear Comrade:

The next meeting of the City Council will be held
Wednesday evening, November 12th at the studio at 8:00 sharp.

The proposed agenda is as follows:

1. The Worker Drive
2. The Special Session of Congress

Comradely yours,

[redacted]
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11-13-47
Rec'd at [redacted] P.
from [redacted]

This is an announcement of an affair being held by the
Nortside section (Pittsburgh) of the Croatian Women's
Council on Sunday November 16th., 1947 11/12/47

Klub Američkih Hrvatica,
N.S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

November 6, 1947.

Cijenjeni brate Cvetiću,

Priloženo šaljem Vam poziv za našu prvu
zabavu ove sezone. Buduć da ćete Vi biti u našem
gradu u to vrijeme, članstvu bi bilo milo da Vašom
prisutnošću uveličate ovu našu priredbu, stoga Vam
šaljemo "Complimentary" ulaznicu uz iskrene želje
da će Vam mogućnost dozvoliti da dodjete.

Uz sestrinski pozdrav

Za odbor i Članstvo.



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11-13-47
Received as Pittsburgh, Pa.
from [signature]
[signature]

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: October 31, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED OCTOBER 30, 1947

Appropriate memoranda for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports have been dictated.

The above reports should be filed in 67-2584.

67-2584

JTM:

*11-18-47
C-113 memo to get memo "18"
not out on p 3 7 attached
JTM*

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F. B. I.	
OCT 31 1947	
PITTSBURGH, PA.	
<i>[Signature]</i>	

Serbian Congress

10-30-47

The Serbian Congress which was held in Pittsburgh was principally held for relief purposes. It was called by the Serbian War Orphans Relief Committee. Much of the work organizing it was done at 1916 East St. by the staff of Slobodna Rec.

[redacted] came here for the Congress and spoke in the afternoon on an American Slav Congress broadcast from Station WLOA.

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[redacted] also spoke at the Serbian Congress.

Some 400 persons attended and around \$12,000 was raised for Orphans Relief.

The committee was very careful to refrain from political activities so it could not be red-baited -- According to Roy Hudson the purpose of this Congress is to keep forces close to us in a relief organization in the Serbian movement which we could not get to work with us on our political program.

Civil Rights Congress

[redacted] 10-30-47

The regular meeting of the CRC was sparsely attended some seven persons attending including - Held at the Jewish Fr. Center - October 29th., 1947 at 8:30 P.M.
[redacted] Matt Svetick, [redacted]

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[redacted] and two other persons a male and a female.

Regular routine business included a distribution of a list to members which ~~was~~ is for the purpose of getting signatures and contributions to fight the House Un-American Committee -- Copies enclosed.

[redacted] reported sending out over 100 calls to various ~~organizations~~ organizations for the November conference of the CRC.

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Cvetic reported on a violation of the Civil Rights by Radio Station KQV and the CRC voted to send a protest.

[redacted] Cvetic and [redacted] took responsibility of distributing the collection lists to some of the members.

After the meeting [redacted] said in the presence of [redacted] and Matt Cvetic and [redacted] that he was pretty sore at the district because they haven't furnished the people for the Civil Rights Congress. He said that at a meeting with [redacted] Roy Hudson and himself last summer and also at a meeting with Betty Gannett, [redacted] Roy Hudson and himself, the district promised to call a meeting of the leadership of the party to discuss the CRC but this was never done. [redacted] also bitched about the poor response of the party -- she was very angry also. --

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[redacted] and Matt left the meeting place together to discuss the KQV issue and [redacted] suggested to Matt that [redacted] be retained by congress to take up the case of KQV.

American Slav Congress
Communist Party Participation

[redacted] 10-30-47

Roy Hudson, Matt Cvetic and [redacted] had lunch at the YMCA Third and Wood St. on Tuesday afternoon October 29th., 1947 at 1:30 P.M. b6 b7C
At the luncheon [redacted] reported on the present activities of the Congress including the recent press statements issued on the ABC Committee, the Wallace Meeting, the KQV Issue and the Elections.

He also dealt with the [redacted]-Adamic Briefly. Roy Hudson apparently was satisfied with everything and had little comment to make. b6 b7C

[redacted] mentioned that a friend of his in Washington who used to be on the ASC mailing list and who used to be in the OSS with him wrote him and asked to be taken off the mailing list and also mentioned to [redacted] that the ASC is next on the list of the House Un-American Committee - b6 b7C
[redacted] also said that the OSS had asked him to stay with them after the war and work but he said he turned them down. The friend [redacted] refers to works in some Labor Dept or Labor Union Org. His name is [redacted]
[redacted] or some such name -- If necessary will try to get correct name.

Matt didn't have much to say during the lunch.

It appears that the lunch was arranged primarily for [redacted] to ~~give~~ a report on Congress activities to Roy Hudson. b6 b7C

On the KQV issue [redacted] told Roy he was to meet with [redacted] the attorney and discuss it with him on Thursday afternoon.



October 30, 1947

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TO BE READ AT ALL CLUB MEETINGS

Dear Comrades:

Two weeks ago Claudia Jones, a member of the National Committee and Secretary of the Woman's Commission of the Party, spent four days in Pittsburgh speaking at recruiting meetings organized in our District. During these four days, twelve new members were recruited -- eight in Pittsburgh and four in Clairton. Since then, two additional members were recruited in Pittsburgh as an aftermath of these meetings.

The meeting in Pittsburgh was the most outstanding success accomplished by the City organization in the last two years. There were thirty-one people who attended the recruiting meeting at which Claudia Jones spoke. These people were brought to the meeting as a result of the excellent work done by the Penn Township, Food and South Side Clubs, with the assistance of one of the members of the Hill Club. The meeting itself not only resulted in recruiting eight new members but its enthusiasm and inspiring character left a deep impression on all those present. One of the major reasons for this was the excellent impression that Claudia Jones herself created among all those who attended the meeting.

We believe that this event should not only become known to all clubs but that each club should discuss and evaluate their own problems of Party building in the light of what happened at this meeting. We would especially be interested in hearing from all clubs of their particular problems and on any aspect of Party building that the Club believes should be discussed by the City organization.

Comradely yours,



David Grant, Secretary

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10-31-47
Rec'd at [unclear]
from [unclear]
[unclear]

Serial 561

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TO ALL CLUB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES:

Dear Comrades:

Enclosed you will find a letter dealing with our participation on the weekly radio debates over Station KQV. This letter is being sent to you so that all members of the Party will be acquainted with the true facts regarding the termination of this program. The ideas expressed in the letter were based on the expressions of opinion, both verbal and written that came to the District Board as a result of a questionnaire sent to all clubs.

The reply of [] who was the sponsor of this program and is an officer of [] "ABC" organization, was a refusal to extend us even the courtesy of discussing the questions raised in our letter. Aside from other things, this refusal was in itself an indication of how desperately the sponsors of this program wanted to terminate it. In the face of this situation, the Party had no other alternative but to refuse to participate any longer in a debate which was being conducted on the basis of undemocratic procedure, not to mention the outrageous and intolerable behavior of many of the participants representing the Hitler-like "ABC" viewpoint.

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At the last debate held on October 23rd, the sponsors of this program gave their version of the reasons for ending the debate in the five-minute summary conducted by [] at the conclusion of the debate. [] explanation was that we had sent a letter to the sponsor in which we made demands that the speakers for the opposing side must adhere to certain rules which we would submit. On that basis, [] charged that we were trying to turn this debate into a forum for spreading communist propaganda. Once again this indicates how desperate the sponsors were, for [] was indulging in outright lying. As you will readily see from our letter, there was absolutely nothing in it that referred in any way whatsoever to how our opponents should conduct themselves. The truth is, though, plenty could be said about that! The conclusion that can be drawn is that the falsification of our letter and the lies told by [] are a fitting climax to the type of vicious discussion indulged in by the speakers of "ABC" during the course of those radio debates.

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We want to urge each Executive Committee to take the necessary steps to have these facts explained at all club meetings and to every Party member.

Comradely yours,

Ray Hudson
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Rec'd as per []
for []

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October 20, 1947

[redacted]
Station KQV
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Dear [redacted]

Some time ago, our organization started a discussion regarding our participation in the weekly "Communism and Democracy" radio forum. The need for such a discussion arose because many of our members felt that the forum was being run in a one-sided manner and did not afford equal opportunities for our viewpoint to be presented to the radio audience. Before taking any action on these questions, we decided to carry through a wide-spread discussion among our membership. We feel a serious responsibility is imposed upon us in participating in this radio debate. Generally speaking, such debates, which permit all groups to present their views before the people, are in the best tradition of American democracy.

We have now concluded our discussion. Our general conclusion is that, from the viewpoint of standard and democratic procedure in such debates, there are major defects that should be eliminated if these radio debates are to live up to the best traditions of American democratic principles. In order to make these radio debates as constructive as possible, we propose that the following suggestions be acted upon after a discussion between all parties concerned. These suggestions are:

1. The introduction should be changed. As it stands now, the definite impression is left that the Communist Party is opposed to democracy. As you know, when the original program was first outlined, we refused to participate if the title of the forum was to be "Communism vs. Democracy." It was therefore changed to "Communism and Democracy."

In addition, the standard procedure of debating is to agree on a definite topic and then have one side take the positive, the other the negative. We believe this standard form would be more suitable than the present method of introducing the subject.

2. After the debate, five minutes is given to [redacted] to present additional arguments for our opponent's viewpoints. No opportunity is granted us to answer [redacted]. While this is indeed a tribute to the effectiveness of our presentation, it is completely out of step with the democratic character of debating in accord with American traditions. [redacted] in his article in "Variety" of August 10th, makes the same point. We therefore propose that either we be given five minutes after the debate or that [redacted] five minutes be eliminated.

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3. All topics for debate should be mutually agreed upon by all parties concerned. Once agreed upon, no change should be made unless agreement is secured from all parties concerned. Last Thursday, this principle was violated once again. The mere fact that we should have to raise such a question is itself an indication of how far the program has departed from basic concepts of democratic procedure.

4. All questions to be submitted by the moderator must deal with the subject for debate that evening. Obviously, it is impossible to prepare to debate one topic if questions covering a multitude of other topics are to be introduced into the debate. This principle has also been violated. It is our opinion that this does not help make for an effective debate.

We believe these questions deserve serious consideration. We would like to urge that a meeting be arranged to discuss these questions no later than Thursday. Until such time as this discussion is held, we do not feel that we are in a position to continue participating in these debates after this Thursday, October 23rd.

Sincerely yours,

Roy Hudson, Chairman
[redacted]

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
November 6, 1947

MEMO, SAC:

Re: [REDACTED]
SECURITY MATTER - C

[REDACTED] informed on November 3, 1947, that he was informed by ELIZABETH GURLEY SWAN that [REDACTED] was recently married to a leading Party member from Brooklyn, New York, and that they are presently residing in Pittsburgh. [REDACTED] is in charge of the Jewish and English Branches of the IWO.

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C-113 also furnished the above information.

THOMAS T. WILKINSON, SA

TEW:AOD
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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
October 29, 1947

MEMO, SAC

RE: SECURITY MATTER - C

[redacted] informed by report dated October 14, 1947, that the Lawrenceville Club held a meeting on October 14 at the home of [redacted] and the following were in attendance:

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[redacted] - 100-7645
[redacted] - 100-7608
MAST CVTIC - 67-2584
[redacted] - 100-4586

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The meeting was under the leadership of MAST CVTIC and after a discussion concerning a meeting place for the branch it was decided that future meetings be held every other Thursday - one meeting at [redacted] and the next meeting at the home of one of the members. The meetings at the homes will be divided as follows: one at [redacted] home and the next at [redacted] home (100-8799 & 100-8856) located at [redacted]

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A discussion was had on dues and [redacted] said that instructions had been received from the National Headquarters that dues be paid up or the delinquent be thrown out of the Party and that all members must be activated and become active or get out of the Party. [redacted] were appointed as a committee to visit all members of the Lawrenceville Club to collect dues.

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[redacted] then read an instruction sheet sent out by [redacted] Office, consisting of five pages, dealing with registration, subscriptions to the "Daily Worker" and recruiting.

THOMAS F. WILKINSON
SA

TFW:ME

67-2584-562

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
October 29, 1947

MEMO, SAC.

RE: SECURITY MATTER - C

[redacted] informed by report dated October 18, 1947, that the American Slav Congress "Form on Citizenship" was held at the Carnegie Lecture Hall, Pittsburgh, on October 17, 1947.

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[redacted] radio commentator, spoke on the Taft-Hartley Bill. [redacted] spoke on the effort of the U.S. Government to deport two prominent labor leaders. ABNER GREEN spoke on civil rights and about the Farrell, Pa. citizenship case. GREEN represented the American Committee for the Protection of foreign born. [redacted] conducted farcical examination of two applicants for citizenship papers. [redacted] spoke on his recent trip to Palestine.

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The following Communists were noted in attendance:

[redacted]

MATT CVETIC

[redacted]

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THOMAS T. WILKINSON
SA

TTW:EMG

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[initials]

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[signature]

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
October 29, 1947

MELIO, SAC

RE: SECURITY MATTER - C

[redacted] informed by report dated October 8, 1947, that the City Council of the Pittsburgh CP held a meeting on October 8, 1947, at the Party Headquarters, Bakewell Bldg., Pittsburgh. The following were recognized in attendance:

[redacted] - 100-269
[redacted] - 100-1161
[redacted] 100-8802
[redacted] - 100-2220
[redacted] 100-5651
[redacted] 100-294
[redacted] - 100-7645
JIM DOLESEN - 100-273
[redacted] - 100-1192
MATT CVETIC - 67-2584

[redacted] read a prepared report dealing with the local elections next month in Pittsburgh and pointed out that at the City Executive meeting held the previous Sunday it was decided, after a lengthy discussion, that Rev. [redacted] a negro, be supported for City Council even though he is running on the Republican ticket and that DOLESEN [redacted] were named a special committee to call upon [redacted] demanding that he issue a platform. [redacted] refused to do so without contacting his Republican headquarters for advice. The Republican headquarters advised [redacted] not to issue any platform other than what the Republican machine had already issued. [redacted] however, pinned [redacted] down for some statement on such questions as: - Are you for or against the Taft-Hartley Bill? Are you for FEPC? Will you accept Communist support? [redacted] answered no to all these questions.

[redacted] said that as a Communist he could not see any friendship with [redacted] but the Party is determined to have a negro in the Pittsburgh City Council, regardless of whether he is friendly towards the Party or not. The Party will also issue campaign literature in support of [redacted]

67-2584-565

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A discussion was also had concerning a meeting of the National Association of Manufacturers to be held in the William Penn Hotel on October 14. A committee composed of DOLSEN, [redacted] was appointed to contact all groups, including unions to form a picket line for the hotel.

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[redacted] also reported that the high cost of living should be the main point of the Party from now on.

A report was also given on the scandal in the Penn Twp. Communist Club. [redacted] criticized the Executive Committee for suppressing and keeping the real facts from the whole membership. The scandal consisted of [redacted] (100-4003) having insulted a group of negro members in the Verona Communist Club. The insulted negroes immediately reported the incident to the Pittsburgh CP Headquarters and it was hushed up for fear other negro members would drop out of the Party in retaliation.

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THOMAS T. WILKINSON
SA

TTW:ENG

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
November 13, 1947

MEMO, SAC.

RE: INTERNAL SECURITY (C)

[] informed by report dated October 24 that the Lawrenceville Club held a meeting on October 24 at 440 Wood Street and the following were present:

JIM DOLSEN (100-273)
MATT CVETIC (67-2584)
[] (100-4586)
[] (100-7608)

CVETIC reported that Red baiting has done tremendous damage to the Party and the majority of the members have been frightened to the point where many have dropped out of the Party and nothing can induce them to keep their dues paid up. He said that all club and district Party work is now being carried on by a small group of top Party workers which adds up to less than 20 people for the whole district of Western Pennsylvania. He said East Pittsburgh now only has six members. The North Side Club has dropped from 50 to 10 and that the Lawrenceville Club is practically out of existence.

[] suggested that the members of the Lawrenceville Club be visited regularly by the Club executives at which time literature would be left with them and in this way keep the club together even though they do not attend meetings. CVETIC reported the following as being of six months in arrears in dues:

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DOLSEN reported on the Talley for Councilman Campaign.

CVETIC reported that [] will be transferred from the Lawrenceville Club to the East End Club by the City Executive Committee because they felt she could accomplish more working out of the East End Club.

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[] said that [] has been the backbone of the Lawrenceville Club and if the Lawrenceville Club goes on the rocks it will be the fault of the City Executive Committee.

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THOMAS T. WILKINSON
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Nov. 22, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED NOVEMBER 21, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports. Copies of the attached exhibits have been secured from other sources and placed in appropriate files. There is, therefore, no need for the attached exhibits to be placed in other files.

The above reports and exhibits should be placed in 67-2854.

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Communist Club of Lawrenceville

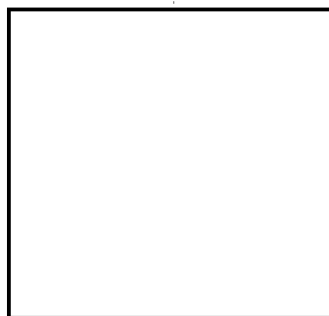
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Regular Meeting.

A meeting of the Communist Club of Lawrenceville was held at the home of [redacted] with the following present: b6 b7C

The meeting was held Tuesday evening, November 18th.

Matt Cvetic, Chairman,



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The meeting was called for the purpose of registering the members. Matt Cvetic gave the report and ~~read~~ gave a report of the District Policy of the Communist Party regarding party security, the financial status of the district, party campaigns on issues in the district and also a report on the Civil Rights Congress.

Dealing with Party Security he stressed to the comrades that there is every possible chance that the attacks on the party will increase. He read [redacted] statement and said that it is very possible that efforts to intimidate our members will be made by the Dept. of Justice and the FBI. He said there was no cause for undue alarm and that these attacks are being made on the party for the purpose of creating a 'hysteria' amongst the progressives. He cautioned the members not to be alarmed. However he said that on the other hand every effort must be made to protect the members and for this reason he suggested that the district proposed that certain measures be taken. First that no lists be left lying around of the party membership. Those who are responsible for

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names and addresses should put them in the hands of a very close friend or sympathizer who can be trusted (not a party member) . So incase there are any raids no lists will be found. He further stressed the importance of exercising care in the use of the telephone. Party Business he said should be disguised or ~~made~~ discussed in terms so that if anyone was listening they couldn't find out anything. Also that first names only should be used over the phone. In mailing notices for meetings - these should not bear return addresses and the notices also should be worded in such a way sh they can't be identified with Party work. He said that mail coming from the party office also will not have a return address. In dealing with the size of the clubs he said that it was decided that any clubs of 30 or more members was to be broken down but however this did not apply to our club since we only had 15 members or so. The secretaries are to meet Thursday night to discuss registration and also to go over these things. Someone raised the question about cards being destroyed. Matt Cvetic said no cards are to be destroyed unless the members are notified by him personally. He gave the opinion that he felt we should not issue cards, but we must be guided by the decisions of the district . [redacted] said they destroyed their cards since they received an anonymous telephone call threatening them with exposure. b6 b7C

On Finances he reported the district in a debt of \$3,000 and that they needed \$2,000 a month to operate. The district therefore wants to raise some \$6,000 during Dec. Jan. and Feb. to carry on its work. As a result of this financial report, the comrades pledged to raise approximately ~~\$3000~~ \$300.00 in the Lawrenceville club during this period. He said the national office was raising a half-million dollar bail fund.

[redacted] said the District functionaries (paid) pledged a weeks pay to the finance drive for Dec-Jan-Feb. b6 b7C

It was also proposed by the district (Matt Cvetic) that money raising affairs be organized during this period - parties, dances, raffles etc. He said a New Year's eve party will be held at Mallons in Eastend.

Next he proposed that the Members consider getting active in the High price campaign. This activity he felt was one the Croatian Women's Council (25 members) could carry on in Lawrenceville and he therefore suggested to [redacted] that she call [redacted] about this. He also suggested that committees be gotten together to call on their Congressman re high prices. He pointed out that the purpose of this activity and others of like character is that it will make it more difficult for our enemies to get at us and enable us to better conduct the struggles.

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He also proposed next that the various members start getting active in the Civil Rights campaign against the House Un-American Committee and for this purpose he distributed ten or so petitions, to be used for getting signatures and contributions.

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With the Help of [redacted] registered the members who were present at the meeting.

American Slav Congress of Western Penna.

[redacted] 11/21/47

From my contacts with various individuals around the Congress office ~~in~~ I find they are busy working on a [redacted]-Adamic meeting which is scheduled for Friday, December 5th. Tickets ranging in price of \$1.20 to \$4.50 have been distributed and all indications are that the hall will be sold out for the meeting.

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[redacted] made a trip this week to the City County Bldg. to protest against the proposed 10% Amusement Tax. He also made a trip to East Pittsburgh where he met with the committee there. Once again he is becoming interested in Veteran Activities also.

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Matt Cvetic who is in charge of tickets for the [redacted]-Adamic meeting made trips to Lawrenceville, Monessen, Rankin during the week. In Lawrenceville he took up the meeting at his Party Club, In Monessen he met with [redacted] and his son and daughter to arrange for a meeting next Thursday in Monessen and in Rankin he spent sometime with [redacted]

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[redacted] He also made a trip to Ally Valley on Wednesday night where he met with the committee (Slav Congress) in [redacted] house. [redacted]

[redacted] and several others participated in this meeting where tickets were distributed.

As to the Suit against KQV this is still pending and may be dropped. Most recent status of this business is: Discussions with [redacted] regarding possible suit action. [redacted] wouldn't handle same.

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I also understand from a postcard Matt received that he is going to Chicago on December 13th to meet with [redacted] on Youth Work in the Slovene Movement (SANS)

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Matt threw this in the wastebasket - I think he
got it off Jim Dolsen - [redacted] 11/21/47

1- Rogge&s expose- security -lists care phoning- no mail from
No club over 30 office

2- registration by Dec. 1

Secy meeting Thursday night with all material

3-renewals-

4-finance- district in debt 3,000- Operating expenses about \$20
2,000 monthly

to raise \$6,000 Dec., Jan. Feb

Natl raising half million bail fund

day's pay exec. & actives & best sym. list of
(in exec only- not club campaign

best money raisers

club affair by end of year to raise cash

Studio available free

City New Year's Eve Party- Mallons EE sponsoring & 1 from each
Club on committee

High price campaign: Georgia on Congress Am Women
petitions circulated by Clubs Citywide conf. jointly by
City Council memorialize Congress for it & Price League
delegations to Congressman
object: make more difficult enemies at us & enable us better
conduct struggles

Civil rights campaign - petitions

[redacted] in charge

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Rec'd at Phila. Pa
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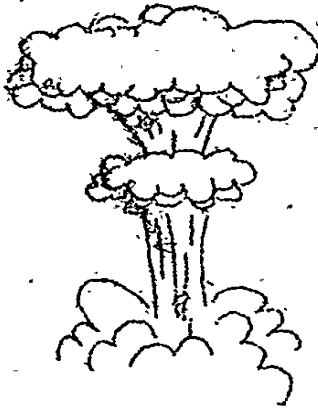
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11/21/47

FILMS AND FORUM ON ATOMIC ENERGY



THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 20 - 8:15 PM
CARNEGIE LECTURE HALL

FILMS

1. ATOMIC POWER - March of Time film, gives history of atomic energy
2. ONE WORLD OR NONE! - Produced by National Committee on Atomic Information, cover destructive powers and urges social action

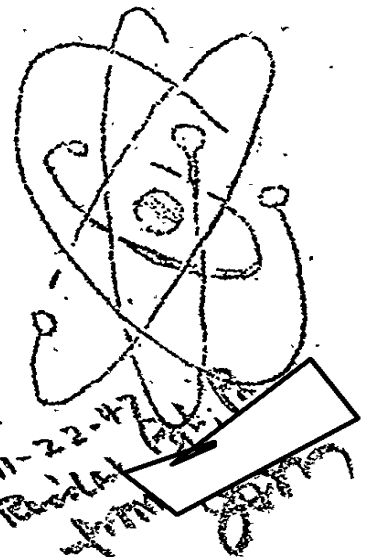
FORUM

1. Dr. Elliott Montroll, Asst. Prof. of Physics and Mathematics at University of Pittsburgh
2. Dr. Albert B. Martin, Asst. Prof. of Political Science at University of Pittsburgh

(Discussion period will follow)

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11/21/47

November 14, 1947

TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE *Lawrenceville* CLUB:

Dear Comrades:

We have just received an urgent letter from our National Office informing us that our National Literature Department finds it impossible to print a number of very important pamphlets because of lack of funds.

The pamphlets which they must print immediately are Wm. Z. Foster's "The Nine Party Conference"; Louise Mitchell's "The High Cost of Living"; and Wm. Z. Foster's "Quarantining the War Mongers". As you can readily see, the printing of these pamphlets is of key importance at the present time, especially in connection with the Special Session of Congress.

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Our National Office insists that within one week, our District send them full payment of our literature bill which amounts to more than \$700.00. If the District were able, we would send a check for that amount immediately. However, because of our own present critical financial situation, we are forced to insist that your club pay to the District immediately all outstanding literature debts which you owe. If you do this, we can send the money to the National Office and thereby help to guarantee the continuation of vital Communist propaganda activities. You owe the District for literature \$14.56.

We sincerely request that you discuss this matter at your next immediate Executive Committee meeting and your Club meeting and take all necessary steps to forward this amount of money to the District within one week. I understand that this might be difficult; at the same time, we know that you understand the problem of our National Literature Department as well as the necessity of not permitting anything to stand in the way of continued Communist activity.

Please let us know what action you have decided upon on this matter.

Comradely yours,

William Albortson,
Organizational Secretary

11-21-47
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Nov. 26, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED NOVEMBER 24, 25, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

The reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

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PITTSBURGH, PA.
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Articles in Pittsburgh Press
Communist Party Action - other activities

[redacted] 11/24/47

On Monday Morning, November 24th., 1947, [redacted] and Matt Cvetic came into the office of the Communist Party to see Roy Hudson. [redacted] told Roy Hudson that Matt and he were up in his office talking about what action should be taken on the attacks on us in the Pittsburgh Press and we felt that just getting out a newspaper as proposed by some was not enough. [redacted] suggested that in addition resolutions should be gotten from ~~several~~ fraternal organizations. He said we could get at least 50 CPU lodges to send a protest and that we could get some SNPJ Lodges to do likewise. Also [redacted] and Matt both thought a letter writer campaign should be organized. Roy Hudson said he had already discussed with the Croatians, the Serbs and the Slovaks about getting out the paper and he agreed it was the thing to do. The paper will be gotten out in the name of the American Slav Congress and given broad distribution through the mailing lists at the language press and ~~the~~ other sources. Matt and [redacted] both thought there should be a meeting of our leading forces held to discuss the whole matter including the Russians and Ukrainians. Roy asked whether they had in mind only inviting the party members. Matt said, no the Slav Leaders - but now that we come to think of it we have our executive committee meeting of the Slav Congress and we can make it an enlarged meeting by inviting the leading Slavs. Roy agreed this was alright. Next the discussion got around to the [redacted] Adamic meeting and Roy suggested to Matt that prominent Americans of other than Slav descent should be seen about ~~endorses~~ endorsing the [redacted] Adamic meeting. He proposed such person as [redacted] and also

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made it clear that leftist organizations should be included and said that [] should be asked to make a public endorsement of the festival. In addition Roy also said that prominent Negroes should be visited and asked to do likewise. He suggested to Matt that he spend at least a half day in the Hill District visiting such persons as [] Matt said he would talk to [] and get names and addresses from him. b6 b7C

This ended the discussions on the Slav Congress business and next Roy spoke to Matt about something regarding finances. From what I could overhear (they discussed this near [] desk) Roy and Bill Albertson were asking Matt about the proposals he made at the Lawrenceville meeting on raising finances to meet the emergency in the district. Matt said he proposed the things which Jim Dolsen told him to on the basis of getting people to raise money, to give a days pay or to organize an affair for the district. Roy said evidently there was some misunderstanding inasmuch as at the meeting of the Croatian Bureau the comrades raised it there and we only want to be sure that we don't go to people for a days pay now and then go after them again around the first of the year. What was really intended he said was for the members to get help from our sympathizers or to organize an affair. However Roy said nothing wrong was done and that everything was OK. ~~xxxxxxx~~ Matt then told Bill Albertson he'd like to get together with him regarding problems in Lawrenceville and Bill said to arrange such a meeting with [] and him. Matt said he will get together the exec. comm. and ~~xxxxxxx~~ find out when ~~xxxx~~ [] is available. Finally Roy Hudson told Matt to find out if [] can have lunch with him (Roy) tomorrow (Tuesday) at the Y - at 1:00 P.M. b6 b7C

Matt said so I don't have to be coming over to the office so much or calling on the phone - unless you hear from me the lunch will be OK at the Y (This is the YMCA on Wood St. at 1:00 P.M.). (This conversation took place downstairs in the lobby of the Bakewell Bldg.

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YUGOSLAV EMBASSY

[REDACTED] 11/24/47

There will be a reception at the Yugoslav Embassy (or given by the Yugoslav Embassy) on Saturday December 6th.

I understand that [REDACTED] from S.S. Pittsburgh has been invited to attend and also that [REDACTED] and another Serb by the name of [REDACTED] from Johnstown. [REDACTED] owns a saloon in Johnstown.

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If additional information comes to my attention on this I will forward same. I am quite sure others from Pittsburgh and vicinity will be invited to participate.

Serbian IWO

[redacted] 11/24/47

There was a meeting of the Serbian IWO - National Body at the Roosevelt Hotel on Sunday, November 23rd. 1947 - [redacted] [redacted] presided. [redacted] was also in town for the meeting.

Some 15 attended including [redacted] (from the church - there are two [redacted] [redacted] and Matt Cvetic from Amer. Slav Congress who were there to talk about the [redacted] meeting [redacted] and others.

The meeting decided to organize a raffle for the purpose of purchasing an automobile and a motion picture projector for the IWO Serbian Section.

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McKeesport Section - Communist Party

[redacted] 11/24/47

According to [redacted] the section leader of the Communist Party in that area, [redacted] has instructed all party members to burn all Communist literature and any identifying material such as cards, letters etc which would identify the owner as being a member of the Communist Party.

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Activity on answering Newspaper Attacks on Slavs:

At

~~After~~ a meeting this afternoon at the Language Press 11/24/47 it was decided to issue a publication on Monday, December 1st. answering the charges. Material for this publicity which will be in the form of a newspaper was supplied by [redacted] [redacted] of the Slav Congress, [redacted] of the Croatian Council and the language presses. It will probably come out in the name of the American Slav Congress.

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P.C.A. = NOTICE OF MEETING

[redacted] 11/25 47

On Monday, November 24th., 1947, [redacted] (I believe I have the last name correct) who is the [redacted] of the P.C.A. in Philadelphia, Pa. was in the office of the American Slav Congress, 1005 Berger Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa. He discussed with [redacted] and Matt Cvetic the Third Party situation.

[redacted] was interested in the names of leading Slav people who could be utilized for such a movement in Western Penna. [redacted]

[redacted] mentioned a [redacted] from New Kensington as a possible [redacted] No other names were discussed.

[redacted] then got around to discussing a meeting which will be held in Harrisburg, Pa. about December 15th of leaders for the purpose of organizing the Third Party Movement in this state. At this meeting Matt Cvetic who is Vice President of the Amer. Slav Congress should be present [redacted] said (after [redacted] as [redacted] said that [redacted] resigned/and was no longer active) and also

[redacted] The meeting will be one to discuss strategy and plans and only leaders will participate. In round figures [redacted] mentioned around 25 people from Pennsylvania.

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Meeting between [] and Hudson

[] 11/25/47

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Today, Tuesday November 25th., 1947, []

[] of the American Slav Congress met with Roy Hudson, Chairman of the Communist Party in W.Pa. at Lunch at the YMCA at the corner of Wood St. and Thirda Avenue.

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The meeting was taken up with the discussion of the []-Adamic meeting principally. Roy Hudson wants the Slav Congress to be sure to get endorsement from prominent persons of other than Slav Descent to sponsor the []-Adamic Festival. In carrying out this request [] got busy on the phone contacting people and called at least one who accepted; a [] (I don't know if that's the correct spelling) -- he also called the P.C.A. on this. He will contact others.

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[]-Adamic Festival and Plans for Friday December 5th.

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So far the plans for Friday December 5th include:

Press Conference	10:00 A.M.	Schenley Hotel
Luncheon	1:00 P.M.	Schenley Hotel
Radio Broadcast -	4:15 P.M.	WLOA
Louis Adamic		
People's Festival	8:15 P.M.	Carnegie Music Hall

These plans will be finalized at an executive committee meeting on Wednesday evening -- November 26th.



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The recipient of this letter agreed to serve
on the Board of Directors. [redacted] 11/24/47

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Dear Friend:

At our National Conference for Protection of Foreign Born, held in Cleveland, on October 25 and 26, 1947, you were elected to serve on our Board of Directors for the period until our next National Conference. Enclosed is a postcard for your signature to indicate your acceptance.

We are also enclosing a copy of the PROCEEDINGS of the National Conference. The Conference was attended by representatives of 325 organizations in 12 states. It was greeted by Henry A. Wallace, William Green, Lee Pressman and many others. The Conference adopted an effective program of action for the defense of the rights of non-citizens and naturalized American citizens.

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Our responsibilities are great. They increase each day as new individuals are selected for persecution. We will be able to meet our responsibilities in assisting all individuals who come to us for help only with the support and co-operation of those who have shown interest in our work.

We hope that you will accept the confidence shown in you by the delegates to the National Conference and will help us in the critical days ahead.

Sincerely yours,

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Nov. 21, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED NOVEMBER 14, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the attached report.

Said report should be placed in 67-2584.

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JTM:

67-2584-569
NOV 26 1947
<i>[Signature]</i>

Civil Rights Congress

[redacted] 11/14/47

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Civil Rights Congress was held in the Jewish Cultural Center on Forbes St. on Friday evening, November 14th at 8:30 P.M. with the following present:

[redacted]
Matt Cvetic [redacted]

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[redacted] from the National Committee - she goes to church in Washington, D.C. (or so she says). Her name is on the card announcing the meeting mailed in yesterday,

[redacted] she now resides here - formerly from Philadelphia.

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An elderly gentleman from South Hills.

[redacted] read the minutes from the last meeting. She then asked how many organizations had voted to send delegates to the Civil Rights Conference in Chicago -- [redacted] reported that [redacted] is going for UE, Matt Cvetic reported that [redacted] is going for the Slav Congress. It was proposed that [redacted] go as the delegate for the Civil Rights (Local) Congress, if at all possible -- if not then the steering committee is to select someone.

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~~She xxxxxxxx~~ She introduced [redacted] ---- who gave a report of the proposed coming conference in Chicago and its importance. She also read a letter dealing with [redacted] statement on 'Palmer raids' and gave suggestions that the local CRC consider sending protests to President Truman and asking him to fire Tom Clark as Attorney General and also telegrams to Tom Clark protesting this proposed action. Also it was

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proposed by [] that delegat@sns be gotten up to see Congressman. She further proposed letters and visits to Congressman on [] article. Letters to editors of newspapers -- and these also to deal with the suppression of news on the [] statement and also with the suppression of the protests coming in from organizations. She mentioned in her remarks also that [] will be in Chicago ~~during~~ Sun^{b6 7-} (this is either this Sunday or the Sunday, ~~or the~~ the 23rd when the Civil Rights Conference will be in progress). ^{b7C}

[] reported that UE [] ~~got~~ sent Telegrams to Truman and Clark and also sent a release to the newspapers.

It was voted to send such ~~next~~ telegrams and releases by the local CRC -- [] is to take care of same on Saturday morning.

Matt Cvetic proposed that a Civil Rights Conference be called locally for the purpose of hearing a report of the Civil Rights National Conference from attending delegates. This proposal was accepted and passed unanimously. It will be further discussed when the delegates return at a meeting on the 26th.

[] ---- left the meeting with []

This concluded the ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ meeting.

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
December 5, 1947

MEMO, SAC:

Re:

SECURITY MATTER - C

[redacted] informed by report dated November 12, 1947 that a meeting of the Communist Council was held at the Dietz Studio, Third Floor, 440 Wood Street on November 12, 1947 and the following were present.

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[redacted] (100-269)

[redacted] (100-1161)

JIM POLSEN (100-273)

[redacted] (100-5661)

[redacted] (68-745)

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PATT GRIFFIN (67-2584)

[redacted] (100-4003)

[redacted] (100-1162)

[redacted] (100-4218)

[redacted] (100-4112)

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[redacted] read a report dealing with the high cost of living and a complete summary of what he termed as an expose of the Justice Department efforts to stage another Palmer Day raids as followed World War One. GRIFFIN urged all the listeners to make the Marshall Plan a real issue within their respective Clubs and to bombard Congress with demands to aid all of the needy nations and not just a few Wall Street pets.

[redacted] also requested that the branches secure petitions to be sent to their respective representatives in Washington demanding that the Committee on Un-American Activities be abolished.

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[redacted] reported that the AFL is now one hundred percent with the Capitalists and likewise condoned the CIO.

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It was also reported that WILLIAM L. FOSTER will speak in McKeesport and not in Pittsburgh because of the numerous functions that were recently held in Pittsburgh. POLSEN made an appeal for new subscribers to the DAILY WORKER. [redacted] reported 230 people at the NAT. CIO picnic and the Party collected \$500 on it.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Dec. 13, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED DECEMBER 10 and 12, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

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"White Chaucer"
pamphlet mentioned
in report of 12/12/47
has been placed in
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CITY COUNCIL - COMMUNIST PARTY OF PITTSBURGH

[REDACTED] 12-10-47

Meeting of Club Presidents and Members
of City Executive Committee.

Club Presidents and members of the City Executive Committee of the Communist Party of Pittsburgh met on Wednesday evening, December 10th. 1947 at the Studio, 440 Wood St. for the purpose of studying the enclosed "Memorandum on Functioning of City Council. The following were present:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Matt Cvetic, Lawrenceville

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Jim Dolsen, Press Dr.

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The agenda consisted of:

- A. Discussion on ~~City~~ Functioning of City Council
- B. Pennsylvania Worker
- C. Good and Welfare.

Out of the discussion on point A. the functioning of the City Council it was proposed that City Council should be composed of Club Presidents and members of the City Executive Committee. It was further proposed that the City Executive be composed of the heads of various depts. such as ~~Literature~~ Dr. of Literature, Press, Membership etc. [REDACTED] Section.

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[REDACTED] was specific on the point that a City Committee be set up on the basis as they City the same as they exist in other sections. A

committee which should be of help to the clubs to carry out their functions.

~~He also~~ [] also proposed (after discussion) that a City Wide conference be held ~~at~~ the latter part of January at which the proposals will be acted on.

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I want to make it clear that the matters discussed were not brought to any conclusions ~~and they were~~ but will be proposed to the Executive Committee of the City and also presented at the Citywide conference in January. Dave suggested as possible attendees at the conference members of all Club Executives.

During the discussion it was proposed that Secretaries of Clubs should be members of the City Membership committee instead of the City Council. This met with approval and [] was pleased to announce that after ~~six~~ seven months we now have a [] [] in the City, [] She is calling a meeting for Monday Evening and wants to be sure all Club Secretaries attend. (It is possible then that Secretaries will belong to a separate committee after the ~~fx~~ elections in January). Dolsen objected to the use of the word council in the name of the committee and proposed that the committee be known as the 'City Committee' - This will be proposed in the January Conference. --

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[] polled the various clubs on how many from each club will attend the District Conference on Saturday and Sunday.

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He also announced that 49% of the City membership has been registered of the total of 367 members on the list as of this year.

He further proposed a New Years eve party and this was accepted.

[] said they are planning a Birthday banquet for Jim Dolsen

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and asked for support.

On the report of the 'Pennsylvania Worker' Jim Dolsen read the results out of 2 ~~and~~ or 3 copies of the Pennsylvania Worker of the drive in Western Penna. (its orful).

[] MADE A REPORT ON THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS. SHE REPORTED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ZHDANOV ARTICLE AND THE THOREZ ARTICLE IN THE DECEMBER 1947 ISSUE OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS. SHE SAID EXTRA COPIES ~~XXXXXX~~ HAVE BEEN ORDERED OF THIS ISSUE SO EVERY MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE CAN GET A COPY. SHE ALSO PROPOSED THAT ON SUNDAY JANUARY 4TH. A ~~RX~~ DISCUSSION ON THESE ARTICLES BE HELD. THIS WAS ADOPTED. SHE ALSO MADE IT CLEAR THAT TO THIS DISCUSSION ONLY MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES BE INVITED. b6
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As to participants in the discussion [] made the biggest contribution in proposing that the City Executive be composed of department leaders and that the City Committee be made up of the Club Presidents. Others participating were [] b6
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[] Jim Dolsen and Matt Cvetic who stressed the necessity of holding a January Conference. He also said since it is election year we should have quarterly conferences and also said the City Committee should meet every two weeks. This was taken into proposals and proposed by [] that City Committee and City Exec. meet on alternate weeks.

[] asked if everybody received the copy of the Report of White Chauvinism and when informed by two or three members that they did not receive a copy they were told to get theirs from [] b6
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[] Several clubs reported having discussions on this report already.

[] is also looking for housing for 20 or so guests coming in

for the district conference. (Since I know you ^{would}~~might~~ be glad to provide housing for them all, I am enclosing a blank for you to fill out).

And finally there was a meeting held earlier or some kind of a
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discussion held by five/female members of the Party at the Studio.
This meeting broke up as members of the City Council arrived. Present
were: [REDACTED]

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I believe [REDACTED]

Thats all.

Pittsburgh Press Newspaper attacks on the
Communist Activities in Slav Groups

[redacted] 12-12-47

A committee composed of Slovaks is to visit the office of Pittsburgh Press on Saturday morning 12-13-47 for the purpose of making a protest against the articles which recently appeared in the Press attacking the ~~Slavx~~ Communist ~~Participationxxxxxxx~~ activities amongst Slavic Americans. This committee which is being organized by [redacted]

[redacted] and Slovaks from Bentleyville, Pa. and possibly other sections of the city has been organized without consultation with [redacted] of the Slav Congress and so he is pretty sore about it as he feels such activity will have no other results ~~xxxxx~~ except to welcome further attacks.

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[redacted] and Matt Cvetic were in the office talking about this and Matt decided to go over to the 'Main Office' as he called to talk with Roy and see if he could arrange a lunch date with Roy so they could discuss it [redacted] Matt and Roy). In the meantime [redacted] left the office to go out on their own business.

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Sometime later Matt Cvetic came back into the office and told [redacted] that he was over at the 'Main Office' and discussed the matter with Bill Albertson as Roy Hudson wasn't in. He said that Bill agreed that the activity was alright ~~xxxxx~~ and wouldn't make any comment until he knew more about it. Bill said, according to Matt that it would have been good if we could throw a picket line around the Press Bldg and also get delegations from the different Slav Groups to visit the Press on different days. Matt said he agreed that this was

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alright. Matt also told George he told Bill that what we objected to (Matt and [] was not the fact that the Slovaks were going to the Press with a delegation, but that it was being done and organized without consulting with the rest of the Slavs. Matt said he told Bill that the reason our work suffered is because we have been trying to carry on our work without a Language Commission - He said ^{we} ~~we~~ didn't have all these problems when we had the language commission and worked together and discussed things. Matt finally told [] that Bill would let Roy know that ~~they want~~ [] wants to talk to him.

[] also paid a visit to the Party Office - he said he had a talk with Roy and that they were busy over there working on the budget.

[] is going to fly to New York on Sunday afternoon late to speak in New York Sunday evening -- he expects to return to Pittsburgh on Monday evening late.

NOTE***** I AM enclosing a report on 'White Chauvinism' released by the City Committee of the Communist Party - From the terminology in the report and makeup I would say that [] prepared same. At least the greater part.

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MEMORANDUM ON FUNCTIONING OF CITY COUNCIL

[redacted] e 12-10-47

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INTRODUCTION: At the last meeting of the City Council, a number of serious questions were raised regarding the many weaknesses existing in the procedure and preparation of City Council meetings. It was decided that a discussion should be organized to deal with these particular questions. In discussing this problem, the City Executive Committee was of the opinion that this discussion should not be limited in character, but should relate to all fundamental questions dealing with the leadership and role of both the City Council and City Executive Committee. This is especially true with regard to such questions as the preparation for election of club officers in January, the proposal to hold a city-wide Conference in January, concluding the registration and others. Only this type of discussion will help find the most effective answers to the various questions raised at the last City Council meeting.

The City Executive Committee felt that for such a discussion to be most fruitful, it should include the entire leadership of all clubs in the City organization. To prepare for this broad type of discussion, it was decided to call a special meeting of all club presidents together with the City Executive Committee. This preliminary discussion will prepare the basis for carrying the discussion into all City clubs.

This memorandum is being submitted as a basis for discussion at the meeting of Club Presidents and City Executive Committee. It is being submitted in question form in order to stimulate the thinking of all the comrades involved in the discussion. We want to urge all the comrades to give the most serious thought, not only to these questions but to all questions that are on the minds of any comrade. Only if every comrade will be fully prepared to participate in the discussion on these questions will this meeting produce the most effective results.

Above all, this discussion should have as its major aim answering the question of how the City organization can strengthen all its leading committees so as to make our Party a fighting Party and provide the most effective leadership in helping the Party clubs organize mass movements and struggles in the communities, shops and mass organizations. In other words, our discussion must be conducted on the basis of the need to prepare and mobilize the Party for the critical tasks that will confront us in 1948. Whatever conclusions we draw on the problems of leadership and organization must be of the kind that will help every club work out its political objectives for 1948, activate every club member in the work of the club and build the Party in the shops, communities and mass organizations. If our discussion is conducted from this viewpoint, there can be no doubt that it will be extremely beneficial for the entire Party organization.

12-13-47
Rec'd at [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

Q U E S T I O N S

1. What are the strong and weak points of the present City Council? Has the Council been of assistance in helping to solve the problems of your club? If not, why not?
2. Should the City Council continue to exist in its present form? If not, what form of organization should replace it?
3. What are the strong and weak points of the City Executive Committee? Has the City Executive Committee been of assistance to your club?
4. How can the leadership of the City Executive Committee be strengthened? What are the problems you think the City Executive Committee should tackle in order to be of the maximum assistance to your club?
5. In what way can your club contribute toward strengthening the work and leadership of the City organization?
6. What are the major problems your club will face in preparing for the election of club officers in January?
7. What problems does your club face with regard to the training of leadership? In what way can the City Executive help your club?
8. A proposal has been made to hold a City-wide Conference in January. If such a Conference is held, what should be its purpose and character? What problems do you think it should tackle? What should the agenda of this Conference be?
9. What problems does your club face in working out its plan of work for 1948, in activizing all club members, in recruiting and building the Party? Is the club helping to answer the problems of the people in the community, the workers in the shop? Is your club too large to be able to function properly and give leadership to individual comrades in the club?

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12-13-47
Rec'd as Pub. Pa.
from [signature]

12-10-47

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SATURDAY NIGHT - DECEMBER 13TH

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TO : SAC

DATE: Dec. 16, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

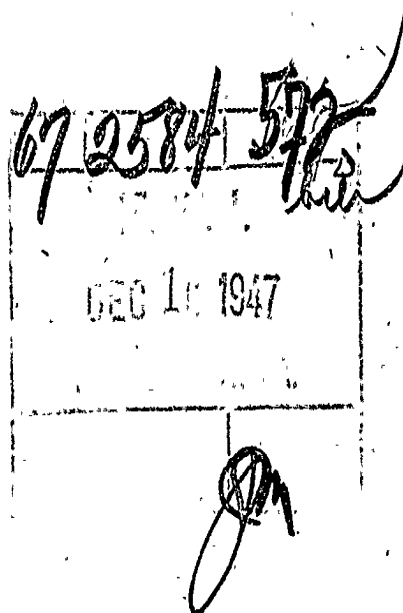
SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED DECEMBER 13, 14 and 15, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

Said reports should be filed in 67-2584.

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Communist Party of Western Penna.

District Conference - Saturday P.M. Session 12-13-47

12-13-47

Saturday

The/afternoon session of the District Conference got under way around 1:50 P.M. in the Lecture Hall of the Northside Carnegie Music Hall with the following participating:

[Redacted]

Bill Albertson

Art Bartl

Matt Cvetic

[Redacted]

Roy Hudson

[Redacted]

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(a young comrade from Northside)

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

There was one elderly negro comrade wearing glasses whom I didn't know; a heavy set bald-headed comrade around 52 I didn't know and several younger comrades as visitors from Allegheny Valley.

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

Point One: Organization Report

Bill Albertson

Two: Press Report

Three: Budget Report

Bill Albertson

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Bill Albertson announced that the Political report dealing with the international situation will be given tomorrow, Sunday, as more comrades will be present. He also announced that Comrade [redacted] was to give the Organization Report but she is ill with the grip.

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In his report he dealt with Registration, Recruiting, the coming Club Elections and ~~other organization problems~~ other organization problems.

~~He said that 49% of the members are registered~~

In preparation for the party's independent role in the third party coalition he stressed the importance of getting our organizational problems settled. He said registrations are 49% and we must work to complete them by the end of this year. In addition those who have been recruited into the party in the past year should be activated together with older members who have not been active recently. He asked each club to recruit a minimum of 2 members by the end of January. Also that each section should have a conference around the end of January. He further stressed the coming club elections and said that all clubs with ten or more members should elect: a chairman; an educational director; a combined membership secretary and treasurer and a combined Press-Literature director. In the larger clubs he said the ~~membership~~ membership secy. and treasurer could be separated into two and also the press and literature job could be separated so that they could elect six members to the executive committee. A membership report containing some of the figures used by Bill Albertson is enclosed. On a motion by Roy Hudson it was

~~agreed that~~ voted that a mass rally of some kind be organized by the Communist Party in the early part of February (or the latter part of January). He stressed in his motion that it should be the largest rally we have had in years.

IT Is probable that Bill Albertson's report may be made into a published report - If so copy will be submitted.

delivered the Daily Worker report in which he moaned the fact that we have reached only 11% of our quota in Western Perma. On a motion it was voted that all those present will join the 5x5 club.

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On finances a report is enclosed -- Several recommendations from the floor were given to Bill Albertson and they will be ~~incorporated in the final draft~~ considered in the final draft which will be given to the Board which was voted authority to approve the Budget.

This concluded the business of the meeting which adjourned at 5:38P.M. Saturday, December 13th., 1947. ~~Bill Albertson~~ Bill Albertson apologized that recommendations of how the money should be raised were not included in the report. He said this was overlooked, and would be submitted later - Primarily the money will be raised according to him by a Fund Drive \$15,000; a picnic over \$7,000 and dues.

COMMUNIST PARTY OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA
DISTRICT CONFERENCE - SECOND DAY SESSION ~~≈~~ SUNDAY
DECEMBER 14th., 1947.

[REDACTED] 12/14/47

The second day session of the District Conference of the Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania got under way ~~at 10:30~~ in the Carnegie Lecture Room of the Carnegie Library, Northside at 10:30 A.M. Sunday, December 14th., 1947 with the following participating:

[REDACTED]

Matt Cvetic

Bill Albertson

[REDACTED]

James Dolisen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Art Bartl,

[REDACTED]

In addition there were several members and visitors from the Ally. Valley Section and Washington County who were new to me. The heavy set fellow I mentioned in yesterday's report was from Erie and belonged to UE.

he was bald-headed and bore some resemblance (in build) to [redacted]
[redacted] also attended Saturday's session. One other
participants look like a [redacted] relation).

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At any rate I think we have here about 90% of the names of the participants and most certainly those who participated actively in the Conference.

The second day's session was taken up with a report by Roy Hudson on the International Situation and the role of the Communist Party in the coming elections - then there was discussion on the report and finally proposals.

Roy Hudson in dealing with the international situation referred to the forces in France and Italy who are co-operating in the Marshall Plan as 'lackeys' of American Imperialism. In referring to Wall Street Imperialism he said when we say Wall Street Imperialism we ~~also~~ mean the 'Truman' Policy. Summarizing the International situation he gave four major points in the line to be followed:

1. the decisions of the Nine-Party Conference
2. [redacted] report in the Dec. issue of the Political Affairs.
3. [redacted] article in the Dec. issue of the Political Affairs.
4. [redacted] report in the JANUARY ISSUE OF POL. AFFAIRS

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He also mentioned an article by Comrade [redacted] in the last category; Article in Dec. Political Affairs (I think I have this last item on [redacted] straight).

In dealing with the Elections he stressed the role of the Communist Party in the Third Party Movement. [redacted] stressed the necessity of working to elect Progressive Congressmen. - Gave a complete analysis of the Political developments in the last election in the various towns, sections, districts, counties etc in Western Penna.

He mentioned the role of labor, the progressive organizations and the negroes in the 1948 elections.

Bill Albertson's in his remarks in discussion said "We have overlooked one thing in the struggles of the Working Classes in France and Italy and that is the role of the International Working Class Movement in those struggle - he said we were completely asleep in this country, in these struggles. He stressed the good work that could have been done here if we could have moved the working class here in support of the struggles of the working class in France and Italy.

Out of discussion came two concrete proposals on the Third Party and the Wallace Movement.

One was that we must get out and organize Wallace for President Clubs as the spearhead of the drive which can be turned into Third Party Clubs later.

Another concrete proposal was that telegrams and messages be organized in great numbers from individuals and organizations to Henry A. Wallace sending him New Years Greetings and also calling on him to carry on the fight. This latter proposal was made by [redacted]

Two pamphlets which will be distributed locally are enclosed -- Ten thousand of each will be distributed in the Western Penna. District.

[redacted] of the Saturday, Dec. 13th session.

[redacted] of the 1st. Session Sunday and [redacted]

[redacted] of the second session, on Sunday.

[redacted] both look pregnant to me.

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SPECIAL REPORT.

[redacted] is now employed in the law firm in the Plaza Bldg of which District Attorney elect [redacted] is a member. The telephone directory shows a [redacted] in the Plaza Bldg and a [redacted] with the same phone number.

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She has just gone the work in the past few days. ~~I~~ I do not know how broad the information has been broadcast that she is working there - it was given to me 'supposedly' in confidence.

Would recommend extreme caution in any investigation or action on above person, for security reasons.

American Slav Congress of W.Pa.

[redacted] 12-15-47

Exec. Comm. Meeting.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Amer. Slav Congress of W.Pa. was held in Parlor A. of the Fort Pitt Hotel on Friday Evening, December 13th at 8:15 P.M. with the following present:

Matt Cvetic, Chairman,

[redacted]

Arthur Bartl

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Discussed on the agenda were the peoples festival, the Makalcyzk visit, the proposed January meeting with [redacted] and good and welfare, including finances.

On the festival there was just a rehash of the thing.

On the Mikolacyzk meeting (I can't spell the darn name) after a long discussion it was proposed that efforts be made to disorganize the meeting where he will speak at the Carnegie Music Hall in Oakland next month (January 1948). Art Bartl proposed that we get as many other organizations to participate with us as possible including veterans, trade union etc. Suggested were picketing the meeting and also getting some 200 persons to get into the hall and disrupt. ~~It was decided~~ In the discussion it was also suggested that unless we get a couple of hundred persons to participate it would be better not to try anything.

Regarding the [redacted] meeting it was decided to cancel this and

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instead, if possible get Taylor (Senator) ~~and~~ or someone of that calibre to come here around January 21st. to address a meeting in the Carnegie Music Hall in Northside.

It was further discussed and decided to try to organize a series of smaller meetings and entertainments in outlying communities where money can be raised for the congress while at the same time the program of the Congress can be carried to the people there.

This concluded the meeting.

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TO : SAC

DATE: Dec. 19, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED DECEMBER 16, 1947

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AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF WESTERN PENNA.

[redacted] 12-16-47

Policy-Making Meeting.

On Tuesday afternoon, December 16th., 1947, Matt Cvetic, Vice President of the Slav Congress of W.Pa., [redacted] [redacted] and Roy Hudson, Chairman of the Communist Party of Western Penna. had lunch at the YMCA located at the corner of Third Avenue and Wood Street in Downtown, Pittsburgh. They lunched from 1:05 P.M. until approximately 2:25 P.M.

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Matt Cvetic and Roy Hudson arrived first and I heard Matt tell Roy the reason they wanted to get together was that the Executive Committee of the Slav Congress was planning a Taylor meeting for sometime in late January and since he (Matt) felt it would conflict with the proposal of holding a C.P. Rally Roy Hudson made at the conference on Sunday/he felt it was best to discuss this before too much was done on arrangements. About this time [redacted] came in and Roy Hudson asked Matt Cvetic and [redacted] about the results of the people's festival (held on December 5th). Matt did most of the talking and he said according to ticket returns between 12 and 14 hundred tickets were sold and that the collection amounted to approximately 1300 dollars. Roy Hudson then wanted to know if they could give an exact figure and Matt Cvetic said he couldn't as all the ticket money wasn't in as yet. Roy Hudson then criticized [redacted] for the way he handled the collection speech and told him that when you start out a collection with a hundred dollars be sure there is someone in the audience prepared to give same-at least two or three. ~~Then George Washington said something about the plans for the conference which he said were not to be~~

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Next Matt Cvetic gave Roy a detailed account of the financial status of the Congress -- he told Roy Hudson that 'we were able to pay [] salary up to the middle of November; pay [] all but two weeks -- we ~~will~~ have paid [] some of hers -- paid part of the printing Bill; paid the radio broadcasts up until the end of November. In addition he said we owe some four or five hundred dollars tax on the tickets which must be paid in January and also our UC tax ^{b6} _{b7c} is due the end of January. [] tried to gloss over things lightly but Matt wanted to put over the point that the Slav Congress, financially has still plenty of financial obligations. Matt said that we were guided more by the need of finances than political planning to organize the Taylor-Blatnik meeting. [] had to agree this was so.

Roy Hudson said that the character of all the work of the Congress from here on has to change. Meetings such as the Peoples festival and so on are not the kind of work we want to think about from here on. Of course we have to analyze the results of the recent newspaper attacks to see how far they have affected the movement and also keep in mind that the people's festival did not answer effectively these attacks -- that is not the way they should have been answered - and he said that as he mentioned ~~at~~ at the district conference on Sunday, and Matt will bear me out, the party is largely responsible for this because it did not recognize the importance of the festival in time to throw its entire forces in back of it. ~~However~~. This ~~he~~ admitted was a political mistake, we should have made the people's festival into a combined festival and a ~~meeting~~ fight for civil rights meeting then we would have done the right thing. the way the meeting was originally planned

was alright he admitted but after the attacks came we should have utilized it differently.

He said the work of the Congress for next year must be changed to 'organizational' work for the 1948 elections. In other words we must get people organized by twos and threes and more to work against the unamerican Candidates. He dealt specifically with McDowell's district. He said if the Slav Congress done nothing else but organized the Slavs in McDowell's district into a real action against McDowell (he mentioned two or three slogans that could be used) it would be ~~xxxxxxx~~ something (I don't remember the exact wording here). We must work to organize the Slavs in this district against McDowell on the basis of his un-Americanism. ~~xxxxxxx~~ (He spoke about getting the trade unions and the slav groups organized against McDowell and about the contribution this would be). He was very specific in dealing with the character of the work of the Congress changing from one of agitational to one of an organizational nature. He said that a conference must be held early -- either the latter part of February or the early part of March. This conference must be called for the purpose of -- he said I am not clear how -- but for the Third Party Movement and for Wallace. And that this conference must be so organized that the losses we suffered through the newspaper attacks can be made up. We must do three things First get new top leaders to sponsor the congress to replace those who dropped out (those who repudiated Congress in PGH.Press). Second we must work for a maximum turnout for the Conference. The third and best he felt would be a combination of the above two. If we can mobilize the Slavs for the coming elections in several strong sections he repeated, it would make the politicians sit up and take notice of ^{Slav} Congress.

Matt Cvetic then spoke up and said he agreed with Roy. He said Roy's report on the elections at the district conference was excellent and all we need do is apply it to our work in Congress. Matt said if we could mobilize the Slavs in McDowell's district into real workers for the elections and beat McDowell, if we done nothing else this would be a real contribution, not only locally, but nationally. [redacted]

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[redacted] also agreed generally with the remarks; and proposals.

Matt then said that we have to admit that we organized the January 21st meeting more because of the financial than the political need. He said we need around \$2,000 to function the next couple of months -- at least until the conference which he felt should be held in March.

Roy then asked [redacted] how much money was coming in, in answer to the Radio Program and [redacted] said around \$40.00 a week. Matt said this was not near enough. Roy then suggested that we shortly have a meeting of the leaders and discuss ~~in~~ his proposals and the work of the Congress so we have broader participation:

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Further I Learned from the conversation that Matt Cvetic is going to Chicago Saturday Dec. 20th for a meeting (SANS) and that [redacted] expects to go to Harrisburg on Sunday Dec. 21st. for a PCA meeting on the Third Party question.

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This concluded the lunch.

COMMUNIST PARTY OF PITTSBURGH

FOOD BRANCH

[REDACTED] 12-16-47

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[REDACTED] who is a member of the FoodBranch of the Communist Party is employed at the Wm. Penn Hotel as a ~~waiter~~ waiter in the ~~Terrace Room~~ Terrace Room. He has been employed here about 15 years.

He came into the office of Slav Congress today and I overheard him asked for a copy of Louis Adamic's speech. He was told by Matt Cvetic and [REDACTED] who were there to come back around 2:00 P.M. when [REDACTED] would be there.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Dec. 20, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: CENTRAL COUNCIL OF AMERICAN WOMEN OF CROATIAN DESCENT
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On Dec. 10, 1947, Confidential Informant C-113 furnished the attached copies of a letter emanating from the national office of the above organization which sets forth a list of all lodges in the U.S. with recruiting quotas to Feb. 28, 1947.

An appropriate letter re the above information has been sent to all interested offices. One copy of the above letter has been destroyed, one is being placed in informant's file and two copies are attached hereto.

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cc: 67-2584 ✓

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CENTRAL COUNCIL AMERICAN WOMEN OF CROATIAN DESCENT

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Attached are four copies of a letter being addressed to the Secretaries of the local councils. It contains the towns and cities where local councils have been established (women's) and also seven towns on the bottom of the list where efforts will be made to establish councils. It also contains the number of members in each local council and the goal toward which they are asked to work.

The letter (which was mimeographed in the office of the Slav Congress) asks the membership secretaries to do the following:

1. to recruit new members as shown on the list.
2. to sell the raffle tickets and send the money in for same
3. to notify the office the names of the delegates to the Plenum.

The plenum referred to in Number 3. according to the first paragraph of the letter will be held on February 28th and 29th., 1948. Place of plenum not specified.

SVIMA KLUBOVIMA AMERICKIH HRVATICA:

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Drago sestre:

Centralno Vijeće Americkih Hrvatica pozdravlja svih članica u našim klubovima, pozdravlja rad kojega vrše klubovi, te ovime apelira na njih da do našega Plenuma, koji će se održati 28 i 29 Februara 1948, izvedu slijedeće dvije važne stvari:

1. Da izgradimo naše klubove sa novim članicama, i da obnovimo sve istekle članarine. Naša želja bi bila da svaki klub dobije još novih članica prema svojoj sadašnjoj veličini i prema onome što bi trebao da broji, a to je ovako:

<u>Mjesto Kluba</u>	<u>Sada Imade</u> <u>Članica:</u>	<u>Do Plenuma</u> <u>Treba bi</u> <u>Brojiti:</u>	<u>Do Plenuma</u> <u>Treba da Dobije</u> <u>Novih Članica:</u>
Aliquippa, Pa.	53	70	17
Ambridge, Pa.	9	25	16
Bessemer, Pa.	34	55	21
Bellingham, Wash.	4	15	11
Brownsville, Pa.	31	35	4
Cleveland, Ohio	131	150	19
Canton, Ohio	19	35	16
Chicago, Ill.	60	100	40
Detroit, Mich.	145	160	15
Donora	37	37	
Duquesne	9	9	
East Pittsburgh, Pa.	55	75	20
Ecorse, Mich.	30	30	
Farrell, Pa.	42	65	23
Gary, Ind.	17	30	33
Lackawanna, N.Y.	30	60	30
Los Angeles, Cal.	22	50	28
Midland, Pa.	11	35	24
Massillon, Ohio	20	30	10
Milwaukee, Wisc.	61	85	24
New York, N.Y.	144	160	16
McKees Rocks, Pa.	46	70	24
New Brighton, Pa.	3	20	17
Oakmont, Pa.	32	35	3
Pittsburgh, (Lawr.)	25	60	35
N.S.	50	100	50
San Francisco, Cal.	23	50	27
San Pedro, Cal.	90	135	45
Seattle, Wash.	50	75	25
Youngstown, Ohio	102	110	8
Monaca, Pa.	17	17	
"Jadran" Aliquippa	60	75	15
Monessen	60	75	15
McKeesport, Pa.	13	25	12
Akron, Ohio	60	75	15
South Chicago	—	35	35
Philadelphia	—	35	35
Kansas	—	50	50
St. Louis, Mo.	—	15	15
Indiana Harbor	—	15	15
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Ove kvote su određene, računajući i to, koliko imade u mjestu drugih zenskih organizacija. U nekim mjestima se očekuje da će se postojeća zenska društva priključiti našem radu. Ako mozete na ovome polju pomoci, to će ići u Vas k redit.

2) N adamo se da cete poduzeti sve mjere da se raffles u Vasim klubovima rasprodaju i novac za iste sto prije posalje.

3) Umoljavamo Vas da nam javite koje sestre su Vas zastupnice za Plenum.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: Dec. 24, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED DECEMBER 19 and 20, 1947

Appropriate memoranda have been dictated for the files of individuals and organizations mentioned in the above reports.

The Bureau has been advised by letter of the material in Informant's report of 12-20-47.

The above reports should be placed in 67-2584.

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PERSONAL NOTES

[REDACTED] 12-19-47

ARTHUR BARTL

ARTHUR BARTL [REDACTED] NOW RESIDE AT
1208 HASLAGE STREET, SPRINGHILL, PITTSBURGH, PA.

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[REDACTED]
FORMER MEMBER EAST PITTSBURGH COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS
OF WESTERN PENNA. NOW RESIDES AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HE WENT TO CLEVELAND TO LOOK FOR WORK. THE ADDRESS MAY BE
A TEMPORARY ONE CONTINGENT ON HIS SECURING EMPLOYMENT IN CLEVELAND.

Slovenian American National Council

[redacted] 12-20-47

Special Meeting.

A meeting of the following Executive Board Members of the Slovenian American National Council (SANS) was held in the meeting room of the SNPJ office at 2657 S. Lawndale St., Chicago Illinois on Saturday morning Dec.. 20th., 1947.



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Matt Cvetic, Exec. Comm. member Pgh.



The meeting was called in keeping with a decision at the last board meeting in which Matt Cvetic, [redacted] were to work out a youth program. However [redacted] was unable to come to Chicago. On the suggestion of Cvetic the meeting also discussed the future work of SANS.

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Cvetic said that they did not prepare a comprehensive report on youth work since under present attacks on the progressive movement a separate youth program wouldn't have any success if set up - in his opinion. However he expressed the opinion that efforts should be made to involve the youth in our present program by electing them to ~~fix~~ office in their various local branches such as Secy. etc. - All agreed on this approach to the youth problem.

The attacks on the Slav Congress and the Slavs was also discussed. It was the consensus of opinion as expressed by [redacted] and Cvetic that these attacks are not directed at Communists but (as expressed by Vider) the Communist issue is being used as a camouflage. he also said the main purpose of the attacks is to destroy the

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progressive movement.

Matt Cvetic expressed the opinion that a program of Political Action should be worked out for 1948 - he said we should work to defeat the Taft-Hartley Congressman, to work for the election for Wallace and to mobilize the Slovenes in back of the third party. He also said that we should involve the youth by electing them into offices on the local SANS Branches such as Secy. etc.

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[redacted] agreed with Matt but he felt that our efforts would be wasted unless we had some positive in our program not only defeat of those congressman who ~~workxxx~~ voted for the Taft-Hartley Bill. He said we should raise in our program the socialization of industry, railroads and other things. Everyone agreed with this suggestion.

~~In answer to a question from Fred Vidler xxxxxx~~ Matt Cvetic was given the job of working up a program for SANS and submitting it to the National Office for their approval.

In answer to a question from [redacted] as to how the Slav Congress was going Matt Cvetic said that we are doing much work but the attacks on 'us' is making it difficult to raise money. Matt said if possible they should vote some money to the W.Pa. Slav Congress. ~~xxxxxxx~~ He said it would help to carry on the work. [redacted]

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[redacted] said that because of the insurance regulations they (SNPJ) could not vote any money for politics but that if they (the Slav Congress) would ask them for an Ad in their newspaper (Keep America Free) they could take an Ad. [redacted] said to make the price of the Ad high enough. The calling of a meeting after the first of the year to discuss the Political Action program was discussed and ~~xxxxxx~~ it was decided (tentatively) to have a meeting of the Executive Committee, Board and interested persons in Cleveland on or about March 15th when the

regular board meeting of SANS is scheduled. [] was complaining about the difficult time and how hard the work has been on translating some of the stuff on Yugoslavia for the bulletings and the newspapers. Especially he complained about the recent article on Religion in Yugoslavia which he translated into Slovenian. The mimeograph work on this is done in the office of SNPJ (I believe). Then there was mention of a meeting of the Executive Board (I believe ~~xxx~~ this is of the SNPJ Supreme Board) the middle of January. [] expect to be in Western Pennsylvania on January 25th for the meeting of the SNPJ Federation meeting here.

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[] said that some \$1300.00 has come into SANS this month and this is better than they have been receiving for a couple of months. On this it was proposed by Matt Cvetic that additional activities must be undertaken by local branches after the first of January. All agreed on this point.

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Matt was also given the assignment in his report to deal with the membership drive and also the SANS elections.

On finances [] suggested that we put serious effort in back of the membership drive for the purpose of raising finances (--- (Membership in SANS costs \$2.00).

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This broke up the meeting [] and ~~Vxxx~~ Cvetic retired ~~xxxx~~ next door for some drinks and then [] and Cvetic went up to the Slovenian Workers Home where they had a discussion with [] [] who is Editor of Proletaréc.

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Sitting at the next table I overheard the following conversation.

[] was telling [] and Matt Cvetic that

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[] himself and ????? met with an attorney (his name may

name may be [redacted] a couple of days ago
regarding the suits against Enakopravnost, Proletarec
and ProSveta.

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_____ said that the attorney told them that under present times - with the attacks on the Communists they have a very poor case and that they should try to settle it out of court -- no matter what kind of a jury is picked the Communist issue is sure to be used against them and they

The attorney
can't win. ~~He~~/further told them they shouldn't fight the cases unless
they can get help from the Yugoslav Embassy, according to [redacted] (I

later ascertained that the suit hereinreferred to is a suit instituted against certain individuals and the three mentioned newspapers by a

[redacted]----- (it may be [redacted] or some such name). The suit, a libel suit was brought by this person over an article or articles appearing in these newspapers which accuse said Rev. (who used to be associated with the banking institution in Yugoslavia) with being a thief etc etc.

is very pessimistic in his remarks and feels that the suit is a part of the attacks on the progressive movement - - Combined the amounts the suit involves is over a million dollars - he said they don't have that kind of money all put together but they can break the newspaper (proletarec) of which he is editor and thats what they are trying to do. Everyone agrees the articies were a mistake.

I was further able to ascertain from overhearing these conversations that despite the fact that [REDACTED]

[redacted] all work in the progressive movement they can't seem to work together. These are all leaders in the Slovene movement and according to ~~xxxxxx~~ remarks I overheard [redacted] make they hate each others guts -- They can't work together and in a very polite way have no use for each other even tho in many instances they are compelled to work

Here's about the way it works. If you talk to [] he uses the hammer on [] and sometimes [] If you talk to [] he polititely does the same for the other three; [] likewise even tho^{b6} he's a little more reserved. And [] he usually expresses his opinions ~~exactly~~^{b7c} caught in political phrasing about the other three.

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[] also pointed out that the \$250.00 they agreed to give to the American Sl v Congress (National office) will be given (or has been given) as an Ad for the magazine.

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TO : SAC

DATE: Dec. 31, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT C-113
DATED 12-30-47

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American Slav Congress of Western Penna.
House Un-American Committee Investigation
and miscellaneous

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On Saturday December 27, 1947 around noon there was a little impromptu get-to-gether in the office of the American Slav Congress in the Berger Bldg. Present were [redacted] Matt Cvetic

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Generally the conversation dealt with the financial situation of the congress and the newspaper which the congress just started publishing 'Keep America Free'. [redacted] said that we plan to get out 50,000 copies next month and that we are sending out letters to various organizations to buy advertising in the paper. As to the financial situation is concerned there is according to Wuchinich some ~~\$1,000x~~ \$1,900.00 in unpaid bills.

[redacted] said that they had a meeting at the newspaper office yesterday (Friday, Dec. 26, 1947) to discuss the proposed House-Un-American Committee investigation. He said they discussed strategy to be followed and also discussed ways ~~and~~ of answering the questions ~~which would be asked~~ asked by the Committee. He said they (those at the meeting thought) that those called would probably be [redacted] Cvetic,

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[redacted] and others who they may be able to pin down. The meeting didn't think [redacted] would be called. He said the meeting decided to call a meeting of all our slav leaders in the near future (C.P.) to discuss things. Since the investigation may start right after new years the meeting must be held soon, [redacted] said. [redacted]

[redacted] added that they also decided to write a letter to Steve (Nelson) in New York and have him secure an attorney who would come to Pittsburgh and meet with us.

She didn't say who had the responsibility of writing the letter.

[redacted] also brought out in the discussion that he would go to Chicago for about two months. The purpose of this trip will be according to [redacted] to speak at money raising affairs arranged for Ludovj Dennik. He expects to go there around the first of February.

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[redacted] Is now working for the Progressive Citizens of America. She has moved with her husband to a new address where they have a phone. (She is employed as [redacted]).

American Slav Congress of W.Pa.

[redacted] 12-30-47

Meeting with Roy Hudson

Today, Tuesday, December 30th., 1947 at 1:00 P.M. [redacted]

[redacted] Matt Cvetic and Roy Hudson had lunch at the YMCA at the corner of Third Avenue and Wood Street.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the work of the ^{Slav} congress action on Wallace's Candidacy and general Slav Congress and Slav activities.

Roy Hudson in his suggestion was primarily interested in getting as many telegrams and letters as possible from organizations and individuals to Henry Wallace pledging their support. He was also interested in getting some action on organizing committees. Wallace for President Committees. He dealt with such towns as Johnstown, Uniontown etc. [redacted] in answer to this request agreed to visit Johnstown on Friday and meet with [redacted] and others there. As to Uniontown it was agreed that the Slav Congress Committee would be contacted by [redacted] (is to be contacted there)

In discussing finances for the Congress [redacted] and Matt Cvetic let Roy Hudson know that there were some 1,900 dollars in debts. Roy Hudson said a fund drive would not be feasible since the Daily Worker is going to open a combined drive around January 12th - for the ~~xxxxxx~~ Worker and election campaign. Discussed was the possibility of raising money by means of a raffle. Roy Hudson in answer to a question from Matt Cvetic had no objection to this.

To [redacted] proposal that a Glenn ~~Fla~~ Taylor meeting is

scheduled for around Jan. 25th or Feb. 1st. at the N.S. Carnegie Music Hall, Roy Had no comment. [redacted] also in dealing with Finances said the Ukrainian IWO is raising \$15,000 national for the Slav Congress of which \$3,000 must be raised in W.Pa. Roy Hudson then^{b6}_{b7C} asked if a national meeting of any kind is scheduled. To Matts and [redacted] answer that there wasn't he said there must be one held soon -- In answer to a proposal that it should be held in March he said that was too late.

Locally after a thorough discussion it was ^{proposed by Roy Hudson} ~~decided~~ to have a meeting of the nationality commission either ~~next~~ Thursday or Friday of next week to discuss all the problems finance, political, house un-american comm. investigation - in other words a general discussion of all problems Roy also raised the quest on that plans must be included regarding the coming Slav Conference.

Roy Hudson also wanted to be sure that tonights Executive Comm. meeting of the Amer.Slav Congress sends a message to Wallace. [redacted]^{b6}_{b7C} [redacted] told him that we are already working on this and that we called the newspapers and told them we would issue a statement after our meeting which is at the Fort Pitt Hotel tonight.

Last night, according to [redacted] he was at a meeting of the IWO (Negro Section) in New Kensington where he spoke on Wallace.

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[redacted] was also there. --

Thats all for now.

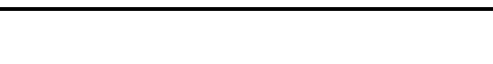
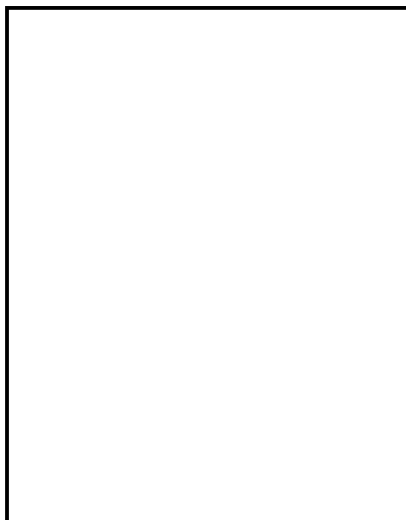
AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OF WESTERN PENNA.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

[REDACTED] 12-30-47

The Executive Committee of the American Slav Congress met in Parlor A of the Fort Pitt Hotel on Tuesday Evening, December 30th., 1947. The meeting got under way at 8:15 P.M. with the following in attendance:

Matt Cvetic, Chairman,



Art Bartl,



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and two or three others.

The agenda was as follows:

1. Wallace statement -
 - a. Resolution
 - b. January 11th Meeting (PCA) Harrisburg
2. Report on Festival
3. Report on Finances
 - Proposed action - Newspaper advt., public meeting Jan. 25th or Feb.; proposed finance committee.
4. Radio Program.
5. House Un-American Committee Investigation.

The agenda was approved:

On the Wallace Statement after discussion it was voted that a statement (previously prepared by [redacted] be adopted that a night letter be sent to Wallace endorsing his stand and that copies be sent to local newspaper as a release. It was further decided that organizations and individuals be mobilized to send telegrams and letters of support to Wallace; on the January 11th meeting it was decided that each nationality group get leaders of various organizations within their nationality to attend this meeting which is a PCA meeting scheduled in Harrisburg. It was also voted that [redacted] and Matt Cvetic attend for Slav Congress. It was further voted that copies of the speech (Wallace's) be distributed in all languages as well as in English.

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A report (financial) on the festival was given by Matt Cvetic.

on the financial position, [redacted] reported outstanding obligations of some ~~\$1,900~~ \$1,900. Some 900 of this is in back salaries. - As a solution it was decided to get ~~newspaper~~ ads from organizations for the Slav Congress newspaper which [redacted] reported will be published in 50,000 copies next month. A committee of four (finance) was set up - Bartl, [redacted]

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[redacted] It will decide other financial matters as well as whether to go through with the Jan. 25th or Feb 1st. meeting which will be in words of [redacted] an Answer to the House Un-American Committee, [redacted] who is to speak in Pittsburgh around Jan 15th, and also in support of Wallace.

On the Radio program it was decided that Wallace's speech be rebroadcast this Sunday and that an additional 15 minutes be utilized by Congress of the Slovak hour, provided they are agreeable, for a discussion on Wallace's speech. [redacted] (WJAS & PCA)

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[redacted] (PCA and possibly Matt Cvetic would participate in a discussion on Wallace's speech after the re-broadcast. It was also decided to rebroadcast the speech on the Croatian Hour. The Slovaks [redacted] agreed to give the Slav Congress the needed 15 minutes.

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On the House-un-American Committee investigation. [redacted]

[redacted] reported on this: [redacted] stressed the necessity of getting legal advise and [redacted] spent his time ~~relaxing~~ using a lot of filthy expletives in referring to McDowell, the House Un-American Committee and Congress. No committee was set up and nothing was decided. In answer to a question put to [redacted] he said he has received no answer from New York on the question of securing an attorney. --

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This concluded the meeting.

Addenda: It was also decided that [redacted] should try to get a committee of six or more outstanding Americans of other than Slav descent to condemn the McDowell and House-Un-American Investigation of Slavs.

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TO : SAC

DATE: Dec. 3, 1947

FROM : SA J. T. MOONEY

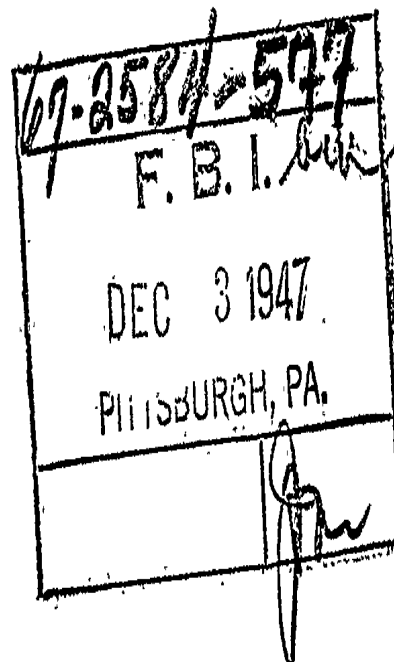
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DATED NOVEMBER 29, 30 and DECEMBER 1, 1947

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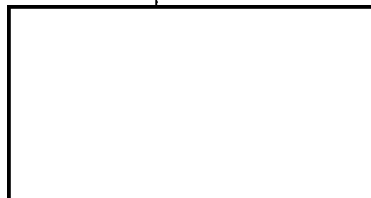
[REDACTED] 11/29/47

Exec. Comm. Meeting.

The Exec. Committee of the Amer. Slav Congress of W.Pa. met in the Fort Pitt Hotel on Wed. Eve. November 27, 1947 at 8:30 PM. with the following present:

Matt Cvetic, Vice.Pres.

[REDACTED]
Art Bartl,



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The points on the agenda were:

[REDACTED] -Adamic Festival

The Newspaper Attacks.

On the [REDACTED] Adamic meeting, Matt Cvetic reported that tickets were moving pretty good. As a matter of fact he said if we do a job on the \$4.50 tickets we might pack the hall. He proposed that each member of the Exec.Comm. take responsibility for at least 2 \$4.50 tickets and that this would help tremendously. He said that he himself had spoken ~~xxx~~ ^{to} two or three persons who are getting groups together to buy \$4.50 tickets. After some discussion on this several members took the responsibility of selling additional tickets.

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He next proposed that a lunch be had with [REDACTED] and Adamic on the day of the Festival for the Slav leaders if one can be arranged after some discussion it was decided to have such a luncheon if it can be arranged (AT PRESENT WRITING FROM MY SOURCE OF INFORMATION

NO SPACE FOR A LUNCHEON IS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHENLEY HOTEL AND THEY
HAVING
ARE TALKING ABOUT ~~RECEIVING~~ A RECEPTION AROUND NOON FOR THE PROGRESSIVE
LEADERS BOTH SLAV AND NON*SLAV.

A committee was set up to organize the collection. This committee
of which [] is head will be composed in addition of []

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[] reported that there will be a Press Conference
on December 5th at the Schenley Hotel at 11:00 A.M. Both Louis Adamic
and [] will arrive in the morning.

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[] also reported that a Gladys Smith, a []
[] signed a statement welcoming []
and Louis Adamic to Pittsburgh. This statement will be included on
the program and will be released to the press.

Next the newspaper attacks in the Pittsburgh Press were discussed.
After serious discussion and consideration in which []
Art Bartl [] and others took part it was proposed by the
Committee that the issue:

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1. A statement of principles.
2. To include in the statement an answer to all the attacks
in the newspaper.
3. To give a reply over the Radio Broadcast on Sunday.
4. To work for a packed Hall on December 5th. --

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A committee (strategy) was set up composed of []
[] Matt Cvetic, [] This
committee will meet Sunday morning in the ASC office at 10:00 A.M.
It was proposed by Matt Cvetic.

Art Bartl proposed that a resolution (on statement of policy)
be adopted at the December 5th festival -- It was agreed (voted)

According to the discussions a ~~letterix~~ newspaper is already being prepared at the language press answering the newspaper attacks. This paper will be released in the name of the American Slav Congress.

It was decided to meet again next Wednesday evening, December 3rd:

NOTE:

The recent attack on the American Slav Congress has caused a serious disturbance amongst the Slav people. It has been the cause of much concern and misgivings and worry and many persons are veering away ~~xi~~ from activities. Most of the tickets for the Festival have been sold to non-Slavs, especially the expensive tickets.

Today, ~~December~~ November 29th I understand that [] Matt Cvetic and [] had a little discussion on the 10th floor of the ~~Bakewell~~ Berger Bldg (in the hallway) and all agreed that there should be shortly a meeting of the Language Commission of the Party ~~Forces~~ Forces. [] agreed to discuss with Bill and Roy the holding of such a meeting next week. [] was especially interested in the effect this newspaper propaganda is having on 'our people' and both [] and Matt expressed the opinion that it is scaring many people. [] asked Matt if [] were around and Matt said he was out of town until Sunday.

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On Wednesday, there was an Alex Goss in the office of the Slav Congress. During the conversation I learned that George Wuchinich and Alex are old friends (haven't seen each other for quite some time). Alex mentioned several things which George evaded or tried to stop him

from saying -- certainly [] bothered [] piece of mind by bringing them up. For instance [] said something to [] about the time [] was in this building (the Berger Bldg) working in the Federation -- [] let on he didn't remember -- and got off the subject. b6 b7C
Another time during the conversation [] mentioned something about the time [] was driving around in a big packard car. [] was obviously bothered by this remark and glossed it over in a hurry -- as if nothing of the kind occurred.

Note:

Bill Ambertson is looking for 4 furnished rooms (or unfurnished)..

Matt Cvetkic and [] made trips to Alliquippa and Ambridge today November 29th on Festival tickets. They visited [] in Ambridge who is a Chiropractor. They visited several persons in Alliquippa. b6 b7C

UKRAINIAN ~~(XXX)~~ (IWO)

[REDACTED] 1/30/30

The Ukrainian IWO held a conference at the Ukrainian Hall in S.S. - on Seventh Street.

At this conference [REDACTED] took active part in the meeting. The national secretary was also here from New York.

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There were approximately 60 persons at the meeting.

Others who were there were [REDACTED] and Matt Cvetic from the Slav Congress who came to the meeting to plug the [REDACTED] -Adamic meeting.

RADIO STATION WLOA BRADDOCK

11/30/47

On Sunday November 30th 1947 the following persons were present at this radio station to participate in the broadcast.

For the American Slav Congress:

[redacted] Matt Cvetic

For the Croatian Radio Hour

[redacted] Arthur Bartl

[redacted] participated in the broadcast-
they did some singing on this broadcast.

For the Slovak Radio Hour

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~~also while there were the persons who were~~

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[redacted] also came into the Studio around 1/P.M.

[redacted] 12/1/47

[redacted]

I am not certain of the last name. She is married. Is a member of the Public Workers Union (Government Employees) and works somewhere in Northside. Her husband is also employed.

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She attended at least one meeting of the Civil Rights Congress and was well known to the Sartisky's and other members of the Communist Party.

Her phone number [redacted]

Has been in Pittsburgh only several months -- It is my understanding she is from Philadelphia.

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: SAC

DATE: Dec. 10, 1947

M : SA J. T. MOONEY

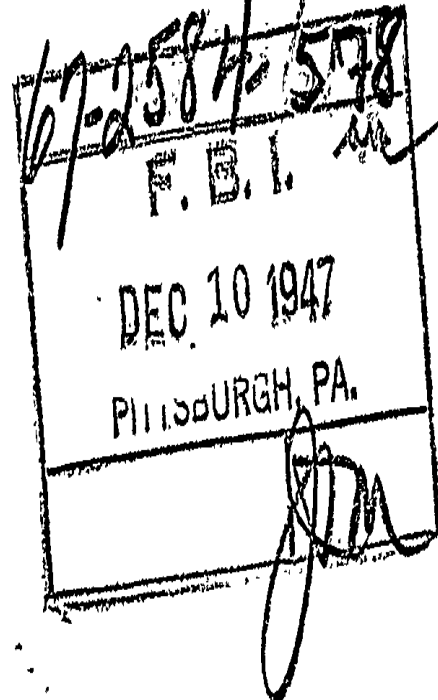
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Personal Notes - (with addresses)
Communist Party Members and Friends.

[redacted] 12-8-47

[redacted]
sold 10 tickets for Slav Congress peoples Rally
of Dec. 5th.

[redacted]
(there are two [redacted] - this
one is a party member.

[redacted]
[redacted]
She doesn't want to be on Slav Congress mailing list
because her husband works for the Postoffice -- she
returned 4 tickets @ \$3.60 for Peoples Fest val.

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[redacted] bought 2 tickets @ \$4.50

[redacted]
I don't know whether they're married or not.

[redacted] bought 4 tickets
for peoples festival.

[redacted]
sold lots of tickets

[redacted]
is an old friend of [redacted] - he stopped in the office
of Slav Congress and ~~met~~ met [redacted] there - they
had a half hour conversation in the hallway - He is young
not more than 30.

[redacted] bought 4 tickets @ \$4.50
for peoples festival - never heard of him before. he ordered
by phone.

[REDACTED] MBA

Stopped in office of Slav Congress last week -- Said he resigned from the Communist Party and signed non-Communist Affidavit. However he didn't want to be misunderstood - he said he still believes in the same principles (Communist).

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[REDACTED] Bought 4 tickets @
\$3.60 for the festival.

[REDACTED] Technology
Dept.
(Phone probably at work)
wants to go to Yugoslavia with his wife.

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS OFFICE

[redacted] 12-8-47

[redacted] was in the office of the Amer.Slav Congress in the Berger Bldg. today. / He discussed with [redacted] and Matt

Cvetic the recent attacks on the American Slav Congress and noted particularly that part of the attack was centered around Monessen. During the conversation he mentioned that a wonderful sheriff their sheriff was since he wouldn't fire [redacted]

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[redacted] specifically discussed with Matt and [redacted] the possibility of answering the newspaper attacks (they appeared in the Pgh. Press and local Monessen newspaper) over the Charleroi new Radio Station (250 Watts)

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[redacted] and Matt both thought it a good idea.

[redacted] is to find out if the money can be raised, if the station can be secured -- [redacted] will also try to find out if the station can be had.

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[redacted] also agreed to come back around 6:00 P.M. to take about 500 copies of the American Slav Congress newspaper answering the attacks on the Congress and see that they're distributed in his district.

[redacted] also mentioned that ~~they couldn't~~ they couldn't get a hall in Bentleyville, Pa. for Tony Minerich's program.

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[redacted] came into the office later in the day and he told Matt and [redacted] that they have evidence that the Postal authorities are taking the names off some of their bulk mailings. He mentioned an incident where they made a bulk mailing and none of the members received it. On complaining to the P.O. authorities, ~~they were going to~~ [redacted] said the person they spoke to was anxious to refund them money on the lost mailing.

American Slav Congress of W.Pa.
Peoples Festival

[redacted] 12-8-47

The Peoples Festival held at Carnegie Music Hall in Oakland on Friday Evening December 5th., 1947 attracted 927 paid attendance. [redacted] b6 b7C and Louis Adamic were the principle participants and [redacted] and Matt Cvetic from the Slav Congress locally seemed to be in charge of the program.

Louis Adamic's speech was given to the press -- he read from this prepared speech.

[redacted] in addition to singing also spoke but, briefly.

The collection speech was made by [redacted] and this netted some \$1300.00 -- Louis Adamic having contributed \$100.00 to this and Zlatko Balokovic sent \$100.00 from New York City. b6 b7C

[redacted] was in charge of the ushers.

[redacted] was in charge of the Ukrainian - Russian Dance Group of which his wife is a member.

Matt Cvetic was in charge of all arrangements and he was helped by

[redacted] at the ticket office and [redacted]

Some of Communist Party members in attendance included [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] Roy Hudson, Bill Albertson from the main office. Otherwise I can say that the majority of the tickets were sold through the party forces.

[redacted] attended and so did [redacted]

and others from the CFU. --

As to attendance there were few negroes - the jewish progressives were well represented - the Slav participation was severely hurt by the recent newspaper attacks in the Pittsburgh Press. --

AMERICAN SLOVENE DAY COMMITTEE
SLOVENE RADIO HOUR (WLOA)

[REDACTED] 12-10-47

The Slovene Radio Hour which is now being broadcast over Station WLOA is sponsored by the American Slovene Day Committee.

This committee which is made up of delegates from the Slovene Lodges (the majority of them SNPJ Lodges) held a picnic this August and voted to conduct a Slovene Radio Hour with the proceeds from this picnic.

Originally the program was broadcast over Station WPIT, but after several broadcasts it was voted at a meeting of the committee to broadcast over Station WLOA.

[REDACTED] and is also in charge of the broadcast.

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A previous report carries the names of several of the committee members.

The program is now being kept up by voluntary contributions of Organizations and by affairs organized by fraternal organizations for the purpose of raising money for the program i.e. dances, parties, moving picture shows etc.

THE AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS NEWSPAPER * KEEP AMERICA FREE

[REDACTED] 12-8-47

This newspaper, copies of which are enclosed was originally planned by the Communist Party to answer the charges of [REDACTED] pittsburgh press newspaper reporter against the American Slav Congress in a series of articles.

The original planning was carried out at 1916 East St. where Roy Hudson, chairman of the Communist Party in W.Pa. met with the Party Members [REDACTED] and others to discuss plans. Then he also had a lunch with [REDACTED] of the American Slav Congress at the YMCA (Downtown) where these plans were furthered discussed. Approximately 40,000 copies have been printed so far.

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Since the original ~~xxxx~~ planning, however it is being widely discussed that the newspaper be issued as a regular monthly publication of the American Slav Congress of Western Penna. This is in the discussion stage.

The paper was distributed through the newspaper files of the Language presses at 1916 East St., the files of the American Slav Congress of W.Pa. at the Peoples Festival, Carnegie Music Hall and then it will be distributed at shops such as J& L Southside & Hazelwood and Westinghouse at East Pgh. -- [REDACTED] had several hundred copies distributed at his church.

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I also want to mention that the original issues were published with separate last page sections by the Slovaks, Croatian and Serbians -- The Slovak edition ~~xxxx~~ back-page attacked [REDACTED] --

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December 3, 1947

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Dear Comrade:

In view of the District Conference to be held December 13th and 14th, the City Executive decided to postpone the next meeting of the City Council which was to have been held on December 10th. Will you please be sure to notify those members of your club who are delegates to the Council.

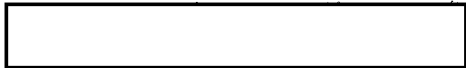
At the last meeting of the City Council, a number of serious questions were raised with regard to the functioning and role of the City Council. The City Executive Committee is of the opinion that these questions deserve the most detailed and serious discussion on the part of all club executive committees. In order to establish the basis for such a discussion, the City Executive Committee is calling a meeting of all Club Presidents for Wednesday, December 10th, 8:00 p.m., to discuss the question of the City Council and all other questions related to it. In addition, we propose that the second point on the agenda be the Pennsylvania Edition of the Worker.

As a means of preparing for the discussion on the first point, a memorandum dealing with the major problems involved will be sent to you by the end of this week.

In view of the importance of this question it is imperative that you be at this meeting. If for any reason this is impossible, will you be sure to let us know and to tell us who from your club executive will come in your place.

You will be given the address of this meeting in person.

Comradely,


Meeting tentatively set at Studio.

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PRESENT

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS

CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL

5 DECEMBER

WELCOME

25 November 1947

"The people of Pittsburgh will have a rare privilege at Carnegie Music Hall this coming Friday to hear Paul Robeson, a great singer, and Louis Adamic, writer.

"Being interested in the arts and education we welcome these two famous Americans who will share the platform at a PEOPLE'S FESTIVAL sponsored by the American Slav Congress of Western Pennsylvania."

Gladys Schmitt, distinguished novelist

George Seibel, critic

George Abbe, writer

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PITTSBURGH, PA.

PROGRAM

Star-Spangled Banner.....Josephine Klun, Soprano

I.

Introduction.....Matthew Cvetic, Vice President

Ukrainian-Russian Dance Group...Olga Prokopec, Accordion Accompanist

II.

"ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL".....LOUIS ADAMIC, noted writer

"Joe Magarac, Legendary Steel Worker".....Charlene Pozgay

III.

PAUL ROBESON, great singer.....Lawrence Brown, Accompanist

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IV.

"Your American Slav Congress".....George S. Wuchinich, Secretary

V.

PAUL ROBESON.....More Selections by Request

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Join With Us — ours is the
real struggle to continue and preserve
democracy in America.

— Franklin Delano Roosevelt

**We who fight in the people's cause will
never stop until that cause is won.**

— Henry A. Wallace



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December 5, 1947

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TO ALL DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
TO ALL SECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
TO ALL CLUB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Dear Comrade:

This is to remind you of the extremely important district-wide Party Conference which will take place on:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13th at 1 P.M. to 6 P.M. and
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14th at 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.

at the

CARNEGIE LIBRARY
FEDERAL AND EAST OHIO STREETS
NORTH SIDE, PITTSBURGH

The proposed order of business for this conference is:

- Saturday: 1. Some immediate problems of Party organization.
2. 1948 Budget.
3. Pennsylvania WORKER campaign.
- Sunday: 1. The International Situation and the
1948 Presidential Elections.

From this order of business, you can readily see how important this conference is. Discussion and action on these points are necessary to prepare our leadership and membership for the struggles that lie ahead.

Please make all necessary arrangements to be present. Let us know if you need housing for Saturday night.

Comradely yours,

Roy Hudson, Chairman

Wm. Albertson, Secy.

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